HOUSE . . . . . No. 4000

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 16, 2025.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the message from Her Excellency the Governor submitting the annual budget of the Commonwealth for the fiscal year beginning July first, two thousand twenty-five (House, No. 1), reports, in part, recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4000) ought to pass [Total Appropriation: $61,395,196,208.00].

For the committee,

AARON MICHLEWITZ.

FILED ON: 4/16/2025

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)

An Act making appropriations for the fiscal year 2026 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions, and certain activities of the commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund, and serial bond requirements, and for certain permanent improvements.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is immediately to make appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and to make certain changes in law, each of which is immediately necessary or appropriate to effectuate said appropriations or for other important public purposes, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

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

SECTION 1. To provide for the operations of the several departments, boards, commissions and institutions of the commonwealth and other services of the commonwealth and for certain permanent improvements and to meet certain requirements of law, the sums set forth in this act, for the several purposes and subject to the conditions specified, are hereby appropriated from the General Fund unless specifically designated otherwise, subject to the provisions of law regulating the disbursement of public funds and the approval thereof for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026. All sums appropriated under this act, including supplemental and deficiency budgets, shall be expended in a manner reflecting and encouraging a policy of nondiscrimination and equal opportunity for members of minority groups, women and persons with a disability. All officials and employees of an agency, board, department, commission or division receiving funds under this act shall take affirmative steps to ensure equality of opportunity in the internal affairs of state government and in their relations with the public, including those persons and organizations doing business with the commonwealth. Each agency, board, department, commission and division of the commonwealth, in spending appropriated sums and discharging its statutory responsibilities, shall adopt measures to ensure equal opportunity in the areas of hiring, promotion, demotion or transfer, recruitment, layoff or termination, rates of compensation, in-service or apprenticeship training programs and all other terms and conditions of employment.

SECTION 1A. In accordance with Articles LXIII and CVII of the Articles of Amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth and section 6D of chapter 29 of the General Laws, it is hereby declared that the amounts of revenue set forth in this section by source for the respective funds of the commonwealth for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026 are necessary and sufficient to provide the means to defray the appropriations and expenditures from such funds for said fiscal year as set forth and authorized in this act. The comptroller shall keep a distinct account of actual receipts from each such source by each such fund to furnish the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means with quarterly statements comparing such receipts with the projected receipts set forth in this section, and include a full statement comparing such actual and projected receipts in the annual report for said fiscal year pursuant to section 12 of chapter 7A of the General Laws. The quarterly and annual reports shall also include detailed statements of any other sources of revenue for the budgeted funds in addition to those specified in this section.

Fiscal Year 2026 Revenue by Source and Budgeted Fund (in Millions)

Revenue Source	All Budgeted Funds	General Fund	Commonwealth Transportation Fund	Other Major Funds	Other Funds
Alcoholic Beverages	98.1	98.1	.	.	.
Banks	18.7	18.7	.	.	.
Cigarettes	262.3	262.3	.	.	.
Corporations	4,078.2	4,078.2	.	.	.
Deeds	376.8	376.8	.	.	.
Fair Share	2,400.0	1,635.0	765.0	.	.
Income	24,240.0	24,240.0	.	.	.
Inheritance and Estate	517.0	517.0	.	.	.
Insurance	784.3	757.3	.	.	27.0
Marijuana Excise	185.9	.	.	185.9	.
Motor Fuel	742.2	.	741.2	.	1.0
Public Utilities	.	.	.	.	.
Room Occupancy	265.0	265.0	.	.	.
Sales - Regular	6,702.0	4,413.3	.	.	2,288.7
Sales - Meals	1,725.0	1,725.0	.	.	.
Sales - Motor Vehicles	1,181.0	.	779.2	.	401.8
Miscellaneous	12.6	12.6	.	.	.
Fiscal Year 2026 Base Tax Revenue Estimate	**43,589.0**	**38,399.2**	**2,285.4**	**185.9**	**2,718.5**
Statutory Tax Transfers					
Annual Contribution to the State Pension System	-4,500.6	-4,500.6	.	.	.
Sales Tax Transfer to the MBTA	-1,425.3	.	.	.	-1,425.3
Sales Tax Transfer to the MSBA	-1,265.3	.	.	.	-1,265.3
UI Surcharge to the Workforce Training Trust Fund	-27.0	.	.	.	-27.0
Fair Share Transfer to Education and Transportation Fund	-1,185.0	-1,185.0	.	.	.
Fair Share Transfer to Education and Transportation Reserve Fund	-450.0	-450.0	.	.	.
Excess Capital Gains to the Stabilization Fund	-133.1	-133.1	.	.	.
Excess Capital Gains Tax to Disaster Relief and Resiliency Fund	-13.8	-13.8	.	.	.
Excess Capital Gains to the State Retiree Benefits Trust Fund	-99.8	-99.8	.	.	.
Excess Capital Gains to the Pension Liability Fund	-432.6	-432.6	.	.	.
Total Statutory Tax Transfers	**-9,532.5**	**-6,815.0**	**.**	**.**	**-2,717.6**
Total Fiscal Year 2026 Consensus Tax Revenue Available for Budget	**34,056.5**	**31,584.2**	**2,285.4**	**185.9**	**1.0**
Tax Initiatives and Other Tax Revenue					
Tax-Related Settlements & Judgments	50.0	50.0	.	.	.
Total Tax Initiatives and Other Tax Revenue	**50.0**	**50.0**	**.**	**.**	**.**
Total Taxes for Budget	**34,106.5**	**31,634.2**	**2,285.4**	**185.9**	**1.0**
Non-Tax Revenue					
Federal Reimbursements	16,156.8	16,148.4	.	.	8.4
Departmental Revenues	6,525.6	5,766.5	692.9	12.3	53.9
Consolidated Transfers	5,717.2	5,717.2	.	.	.
Total Non-Tax Revenue	**28,399.5**	**27,632.1**	**692.9**	**12.3**	**62.3**
Fiscal Year 2026 Grand Total	**62,506.0**	**59,266.3**	**2,978.3**	**198.2**	**63.2**

SECTION 1B. The comptroller shall keep a distinct account of actual receipts of non-tax revenues by each department, board, commission or institution to furnish the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means with quarterly statements comparing such receipts with projected receipts set forth in this section and to include a full statement comparing such receipts with projected receipts in the annual report for such fiscal year pursuant to section 12 of chapter 7A of the General Laws. The quarterly and annual reports shall also include detailed statements of any other sources of revenue for the budgeted funds in addition to those specified in this section.

Non-Tax Revenue: Department Summary

Revenue Source	Federal Revenues	Departmental Revenues	Budgeted Transfers	Total Unrestricted	Total Restricted
Judiciary					
Supreme Judicial Court	$0	$2,183,220	$0	$2,183,220	$0
Committee for Public Counsel	$0	$3,275,000	$0	$3,275,000	$0
Appeals Court	$0	$315,317	$0	$315,317	$0
Trial Court	$0	$61,634,000	$0	$61,634,000	$0
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$67,407,537**	**$0**	**$67,407,537**	**$0**
District Attorneys					
Middlesex District Attorney	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Plymouth District Attorney	$0	$1,000	$0	$1,000	$0
Worcester District Attorney	$0	$5,000	$0	$5,000	$0
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$6,000**	**$0**	**$6,000**	**$0**
Governor					
Office of the Governor	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
Secretary of the Commonwealth					
Secretary of the Commonwealth	$0	$296,118,673	$0	$295,609,384	$531,000
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$296,118,673**	**$0**	**$295,609,384**	**$531,000**
Treasurer and Receiver General					
Office of the Treasurer	$0	$510,095,500	$604,814,937	$1,084,560,437	$65,584,951
Massachusetts Cultural Council	$0	$16,000	$0	$16,000	$0
Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement Board	$0	$40,000,000	$0	$40,000,000	$0
State Lottery Commission	$0	$115,707,006	$1,238,645,216	$1,354,352,222	$0
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$665,818,506**	**$1,843,460,153**	**$2,478,928,659**	**$65,584,951**
Attorney General					
Office of the Attorney General	$5,706,908	$51,942,184	$0	$50,240,797	$7,408,295
TOTAL:	**$5,706,908**	**$51,942,184**	**$0**	**$50,240,797**	**$7,408,295**
State Ethics Commission					
State Ethics Commission	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
Inspector General					
Office of the Inspector General	$0	$1,680,000	$0	$0	$1,680,000
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$1,680,000**	**$0**	**$0**	**$1,680,000**

Office of Campaign and Political Finance

Non-Tax Revenue: Department Summary

Revenue Source	Federal Revenues	Departmental Revenues	Budgeted Transfers	Total Unrestricted	Total Restricted
Office of Campaign and Political Finance	$0	$54,500	$0	$54,500	$0
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$54,500**	**$0**	**$54,500**	**$0**
Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination					
Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination	$3,499,236	$440,800	$0	$30,800	$3,909,236
TOTAL:	**$3,499,236**	**$440,800**	**$0**	**$30,800**	**$3,909,236**
Office of the State Comptroller					
Office of the State Comptroller	$15,039,962	$8,582,897	$2,002,882,415	$2,020,011,506	$153,310,441
TOTAL:	**$15,039,962**	**$8,582,897**	**$2,002,882,415**	**$2,020,011,506**	**$153,310,441**
Massachusetts Gaming Commission					
Massachusetts Gaming Commission	$0	$0	$638,966,438	$638,966,438	$0
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$0**	**$638,966,438**	**$638,966,438**	**$0**
Cannabis Control Commission					
Cannabis Control Commission	$0	$20,281,406	$0	$20,281,406	$0
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$20,281,406**	**$0**	**$20,281,406**	**$0**
Executive Office for Administration and Finance					
Secretary of Administration and Finance	$0	$1,150,000	$0	$1,150,000	$27,084,188
Division of Capital Asset Management & Maintenance	$705,317	$4,580,073	$11,296,868	$4,570,073	$42,124,494
Civil Service Commission	$0	$12,500	$0	$12,500	$0
Group Insurance Commission	$0	$1,135,914,348	$409,862,157	$1,543,579,759	$2,196,746
Division of Administrative Law Appeals	$0	$70,000	$0	$0	$70,000
Department of Revenue	$63,125,570	$208,847,121	$0	$237,266,487	$34,706,204
Appellate Tax Board	$0	$2,985,306	$0	$2,585,306	$400,000
Human Resources Division	$70,890,182	$3,240,000	$0	$3,240,000	$141,780,363
Operational Services Division	$0	$30,421,408	$0	$12,271,701	$37,473,712
TOTAL:	**$134,721,069**	**$1,387,220,756**	**$421,159,025**	**$1,804,675,826**	**$285,835,707**
Executive Office of Technology Services and Security					
Executive Office of Technology Services and Security	$0	$2,733,931	$0	$0	$212,097,221
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$2,733,931**	**$0**	**$0**	**$212,097,221**
Executive Office of Veterans' Services					
Department of Veterans' Services	$0	$760,000	$0	$0	$5,760,000
Chelsea Soldiers' Home	$16,424,436	$2,078,384	$0	$18,502,820	$0
Holyoke Soldiers' Home	$7,871,365	$1,518,702	$0	$7,200,424	$2,189,643
TOTAL:	**$24,295,801**	**$4,357,086**	**$0**	**$25,703,244**	**$7,949,643**
Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs					
Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs	$25,000	$9,410,000	$0	$8,745,000	$7,247,316
Department of Public Utilities	$0	$55,889,254	$0	$55,889,254	$0
Department of Environmental Protection	$0	$34,723,982	$0	$28,638,164	$6,085,818

Non-Tax Revenue: Department Summary

Revenue Source	Federal Revenues	Departmental Revenues	Budgeted Transfers	Total Unrestricted	Total Restricted
Department of Fish and Game	$8,420,000	$14,412,489	$1,945,000	$24,309,500	$467,989
Department of Agricultural Resources	$0	$6,846,325	$0	$6,846,325	$0
Department of Conservation and Recreation	$0	$27,898,991	$0	$27,898,991	$0
Department of Energy Resources	$0	$10,031,633	$0	$10,031,633	$0
TOTAL:	**$8,445,000**	**$159,212,674**	**$1,945,000**	**$162,358,867**	**$13,801,123**
Executive Office of Health and Human Services					
Secretary of Health and Human Services	$12,836,543,926	$2,256,468,318	$16,000,000	$14,779,012,244	$470,079,949
Mass Commission for the Blind	$5,037,612	$7,500	$0	$5,045,112	$0
Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission	$9,207,866	$40,000	$0	$9,247,866	$0
Mass Commission for the Deaf	$246,064	$3,500	$0	$249,564	$6,450,000
Department of Youth Services	$5,706,738	$130,000	$0	$5,836,738	$0
Department of Transitional Assistance	$502,590,389	$925,000	$17,600,000	$521,115,389	$0
Department of Public Health	$172,831,389	$121,913,282	$1,000,000	$146,505,364	$223,610,884
Department of Children and Families	$351,707,551	$2,658,000	$700,000	$348,030,124	$7,035,427
Department of Mental Health	$137,313,535	$26,644,612	$0	$163,833,147	$125,000
Department of Developmental Services	$1,192,315,397	$3,875,621	$0	$1,196,191,018	$0
TOTAL:	**$15,213,500,467**	**$2,412,665,833**	**$35,300,000**	**$17,175,066,566**	**$707,301,260**
Health Policy Commission					
Health Policy Commission	$0	$11,366,000	$0	$11,366,000	$0
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$11,366,000**	**$0**	**$11,366,000**	**$0**
Center for Health Information and Analysis					
Center for Health Information and Analysis	$0	$47,755,938	$0	$47,755,938	$0
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$47,755,938**	**$0**	**$47,755,938**	**$0**
Board of Library Commissioners					
Board of Library Commissioners	$0	$3,200	$0	$3,200	$0
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$3,200**	**$0**	**$3,200**	**$0**
Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities					
Department of Housing & Livable Communities	$0	$6,897,012	$0	$3,325,500	$3,571,512
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$6,897,012**	**$0**	**$3,325,500**	**$3,571,512**
Executive Office of Economic Development					
Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development	$0	$0	$2,492,000	$2,492,000	$6,864,065
Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation	$0	$1,856,490	$0	$861,038	$995,452
Division of Banks	$0	$46,733,859	$0	$45,233,859	$1,500,000
Division of Insurance	$0	$269,768,412	$0	$269,768,412	$0
Division of Professional Licensure	$0	$42,520,330	$0	$22,603,769	$19,916,561
Division of Standards	$0	$3,397,940	$0	$2,417,577	$980,363
Department of Telecommunications and Cable	$0	$5,198,884	$0	$5,198,884	$0
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$369,475,915**	**$2,492,000**	**$348,575,539**	**$30,256,441**

Non-Tax Revenue: Department Summary

Revenue Source	Federal Revenues	Departmental Revenues	Budgeted Transfers	Total Unrestricted	Total Restricted
Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development					
Labor and Workforce Development	$0	$2,400,150	$23,697,500	$25,636,574	$461,076
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$2,400,150**	**$23,697,500**	**$25,636,574**	**$461,076**
Executive Office of Education					
Department of Early Education and Care	$306,415,325	$2,226,146	$0	$308,121,471	$520,000
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education	$0	$7,750,792	$0	$5,026,250	$2,724,542
Department of Higher Education	$0	$8,000,000	$0	$8,000,000	$0
Executive Office of Education	$0	$0	$0	$0	$3,000,000
University of Massachusetts	$0	$110,000,000	$0	$110,000,000	$0
Bridgewater State College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Fitchburg State College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Framingham State College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Salem State College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Westfield State College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Worcester State College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Berkshire Community College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Bristol Community College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Cape Cod Community College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Greenfield Community College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Holyoke Community College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Mass Bay Community College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Massasoit Community College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Middlesex Community College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Mount Wachusett Community College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Northern Essex Community College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
North Shore Community College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Quinsigamond Community College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Springfield Technical Community College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Roxbury Community College	$0	$2,500,000	$0	$0	$2,500,000
Bunker Hill Community College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
TOTAL:	**$306,415,325**	**$130,476,938**	**$0**	**$431,147,721**	**$8,744,542**
Executive Office of Public Safety and Security					
Executive Office of Public Safety and Security	$0	$2,100,000	$0	$2,100,000	$11,464,504
Office of the Chief Medical Examiner	$0	$10,164,450	$0	$1,517,565	$8,646,885
Criminal History Systems Board	$0	$34,916,711	$0	$28,593,036	$6,323,675
Department of State Police	$1,935,922	$111,433,000	$0	$2,663,000	$155,862,297
Municipal Police Training Council	$0	$5,600,000	$0	$0	$5,600,000
Department of Fire Services	$0	$61,148,536	$0	$58,814,976	$2,333,560
Military Division	$0	$1,900,000	$0	$0	$2,000,000
Emergency Management Agency	$175,000,000	$0	$0	$175,000,000	$0
Department of Corrections	$3,500,000	$6,013,000	$4,687,000	$0	$28,850,000
Parole Board	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
TOTAL:	**$180,435,922**	**$233,275,697**	**$4,687,000**	**$268,688,577**	**$221,080,921**

Non-Tax Revenue: Department Summary

Revenue Source	Federal Revenues	Departmental Revenues	Budgeted Transfers	Total Unrestricted	Total Restricted
Sheriffs					
Hampden Sheriff's Office	$825,000	$3,687,251	$0	$881,000	$3,631,251
Worcester Sheriff's Office	$25,000	$750	$0	$25,750	$0
Middlesex Sheriff's Office	$12,000	$338,996	$0	$75,996	$275,000
Hampshire Sheriff's Office	$7,600	$2,525	$0	$10,125	$0
Berkshire Sheriff's Office	$6,000	$3,105,000	$0	$11,000	$3,100,000
Franklin Sheriff's Office	$86,200	$7,000	$0	$93,200	$0
Essex Sheriff's Office	$41,000	$1,858,115	$0	$49,115	$1,850,000
Barnstable Sheriff's Office	$0	$1,552,970	$0	$2,970	$1,550,000
Bristol Sheriff's Office	$82,712	$20,000	$0	$102,712	$0
Dukes Sheriff's Office	$0	$330,656	$0	$30,656	$300,000
Norfolk Sheriff's Office	$576,000	$430,860	$0	$576,000	$430,860
Plymouth Sheriff's Office	$25,620,000	$1,800,000	$0	$27,120,000	$300,000
Suffolk Sheriff's Office	$0	$2,000,000	$0	$200,000	$1,800,000
TOTAL:	**$27,281,512**	**$15,134,123**	**$0**	**$29,178,524**	**$13,237,111**
Executive Office of Aging and Independence					
Department of Elder Affairs	$237,433,737	$1,434,850	$0	$238,868,587	$0
TOTAL:	**$237,433,737**	**$1,434,850**	**$0**	**$238,868,587**	**$0**
Massachusetts Department of Transportation					
Massachusetts Department of Transportation	$0	$628,727,105	$742,616,656	$1,371,343,761	$0
TOTAL:	**$0**	**$628,727,105**	**$742,616,656**	**$1,371,343,761**	**$0**
Total Non-Tax Revenue:	**$16,156,774,939**	**$6,525,469,711**	**$5,717,206,187**	**$27,515,231,451**	**$1,736,760,480**

SECTION 2.

JUDICIARY.

Supreme Judicial Court.

0320-0003	For the operation of the supreme judicial court, including the salaries of the chief justice and the 6 associate justices	$12,314,981
0320-0010	For the operation of the clerk's office of the supreme judicial court for Suffolk county	$2,428,095
0321-0001	For the operation of the commission on judicial conduct	$1,187,392
0321-0100	For the services of the board of bar examiners	$2,349,408

Committee for Public Counsel Services.

0321-1500 For the operation of the committee for public counsel services under chapter 211D of the General Laws including, but not limited to, payroll costs of the committee's public defenders, attorneys in charge and appeals attorneys, including fringe benefit costs; provided, that the committee shall maintain a system in which not less than 20 per cent of indigent clients shall be represented by public defenders; provided further, that to the extent feasible, the committee shall assign public defenders to district and superior courts; provided further, that the committee shall approve by majority vote any increase in the base salary or rate of compensation for employees holding management positions, including, but not limited to, chiefs, deputy chiefs, directors, assistant directors and managers; provided further, that not later than December 2, 2025, the committee shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to, the expected surplus or deficiency of items 0321-1500, 0321-1510 and 0321-1520 for fiscal year 2026; provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the committee shall submit an annual report to the house and senate committees on ways and means in a cumulative manner and which shall be compared with data from the current period to the previous 2 fiscal years; and provided further, that the report shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the caseload of attorneys in charge compared to the caseload of public defenders; (ii) the number of cases handled by the committee in each reporting period, delineated by public defender and private bar advocate; (iii) the average number of hours spent per case by public defenders; (iv) the number of public defenders currently employed by the committee and the total number employed by the committee at the end of each fiscal year, delineated by division; (v) the number of public defender vacancies to be filled; (vi) the average cost for public defender services rendered per case in the prior fiscal year; (vii) the number of cases assigned to private bar advocates; (viii) the average number of hours billed by private bar advocates; (ix) the average cost for private bar advocate services rendered per case in the prior fiscal year; (x) the billable hours of private counsel, delineated by travel time and time spent in court, including wait time and trial preparation time, including

interview time, investigating time and research time; (xi) any changes to the private bar billing system and any billing improvements that have been made; (xii) the total number of support staff, investigators, attorneys in charge and management personnel currently employed by the committee and the total number employed by the committee at the end of each fiscal year for the previous 2 fiscal years; and (xiii) a summary of all spending for psychologists, psychiatrists and investigators, including the total number of hours billed, the number of unique vendors and the average number of hours billed $89,000,000

0321-1510 For compensation paid to private counsel assigned to criminal and civil cases under subsection (b) of section 6 of chapter 211D of the General Laws, pursuant to section 11 of said chapter 211D; provided, that not more than $3,000,000 from this item shall be expended for services rendered prior to fiscal year 2026 ..... $215,000,000

0321-1520 For fees and costs as defined in section 27A of chapter 261 of the General Laws, as ordered by a justice of the appeals court or a justice of a department of the trial court on behalf of persons who are indigent as defined in said section 27A of said chapter 261; provided, that not more than $2,000,000 from this item shall be expended for services rendered prior to fiscal year 2026 ..... $25,172,236

Massachusetts Legal Assistance Corporation.

0321-1600 For the Massachusetts Legal Assistance Corporation to provide legal representation for indigent or otherwise disadvantaged residents of the commonwealth; provided, that not later than February 3, 2026, the corporation shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means using the most recent United States Census Bureau population data available that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the number of persons assisted by the programs funded by the corporation in the prior fiscal year; (ii) any proposed expansion of legal services, delineated by type of service, target population and cost; and (iii) the total number of indigent or otherwise disadvantaged residents who received services from the corporation, delineated by type of case and geographic location; provided further, that the corporation may contract with any organization to provide representation; and provided further, that notwithstanding the first paragraph of section 9 of chapter 221A of the General Laws, funds shall be expended for the Disability Benefits Project, the Medicare Advocacy Project and the Domestic Violence Legal Assistance Project $51,000,000

0321-1800 For the access to counsel program; provided, that funds may be expended for costs associated with implementing the program; and provided further, that, subject to appropriation, funds shall be distributed by the Massachusetts Legal Assistance Corporation to designated non-profit organizations to increase access to legal representation for low-income tenants and low-income owner occupants in eviction proceedings $3,000,000

Mental Health Legal Advisors Committee.

0321-2000 For the operation of the mental health legal advisors committee and for certain programs for the indigent mentally ill established in section 34E of chapter 221 of the General Laws $3,315,604

Prisoners' Legal Services.

0321-2100 For the expenses of Prisoners' Legal Services $3,272,105

Social Law Library.

0321-2205 For the expenses of the social law library located in Suffolk county $2,960,287

Appeals Court.

0322-0100 For the appeals court, including the salaries, traveling allowances and expenses of the chief justice, recall justices and associate justices $16,126,966

Trial Court.

0330-0101 For the salaries of the justices of the 7 departments of the trial court $90,824,456

0330-0300 For the central administration of the trial court, including costs associated with trial court non-employee services, dental and vision health plan agreements for employees who are subject to a collective bargaining agreement, jury expenses, law libraries, statewide telecommunications, private and municipal court rentals and leases, operation of courthouse facilities, rental of county court facilities, witness fees, printing expenses, equipment maintenance and repairs, the court interpreter program, insurance and chargeback costs, the Massachusetts sentencing commission, court security and judicial training; provided, that 50 per cent of all fees payable under rules 15(d) and 30(c)(8) of the Massachusetts Rules of Criminal Procedure shall be paid from this item; provided further, that funds may be expended for training on domestic violence issues, the maintenance of a domestic violence registry, evaluations of batterers' intervention programs and the risk assessment tool for domestic violence offenders under chapter 260 of the acts of 2014; provided further, that not less than $378,000 shall be expended for the Race and Bias Initiative to expand the trial court's Office of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Experience and to provide additional diversity training for all court employees; provided further, that in planning and implementing the policies of the Race and Bias Initiative, the trial court's Office of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Experience shall solicit feedback from community stakeholders in order to identify any structural, organizational or cultural barriers to ensure equity in the justice system for people of racial, linguistic, cultural or sexual minorities and shall recommend methods to remove such barriers to guarantee the provision of competent representation and inclusive practices in every courtroom in the commonwealth; provided further, that funds shall be expended for juvenile court investigators rates at an amount that at least maintains the rates from fiscal year 2025; provided further, that funds may be expended to provide information and assistance to self-represented litigants; provided further, that the trial court shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means on revenues collected in the trial court; provided further, that each report shall provide for the previous quarter for each court division and courthouse: (i) the total amount ordered in fees and fines;

(ii) the total amount dismissed in fees and fines; (iii) the total amount paid in fees and fines; and (iv) the total amount outstanding in fees and fines; provided further, that not later than February 3, 2026, the court administrator shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the number of court officers, per diem court officers and security personnel located in each trial court of the commonwealth; provided further, that notwithstanding section 9A of chapter 30 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the rights afforded to a veteran under said section 9A of said chapter 30, shall also be afforded to any such veteran who holds a trial court office or position in the service of the commonwealth not classified under chapter 31 of the General Laws, other than an elective office, an appointive office for a fixed term or an office or position under section 7 of said chapter 30 and who has: (a) held the office or position for not less than 1 year; and (b) completed 30 years of total creditable service to the commonwealth, as defined in chapter 32 of the General Laws; provided further, that the trial court shall submit a report to the victim and witness assistance board, established in section 4 of chapter 258B of the General Laws, detailing the amount of assessments imposed within each court by a justice or clerk-magistrate during the previous calendar year under section 8 of said chapter 258B; provided further, that the report shall include, but not be limited to, the number of cases in which the assessment was reduced or waived by a judge or clerk-magistrate within the courts; provided further, that not later than January 6, 2026, the report shall be submitted to the victim and witness assistance board; and provided further, that not less than 15 days before the transfer of funds between items within the trial court, the court administrator shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (1) the amount of funds transferred from any item of appropriation; (2) the line item number of the appropriation making the transfer; (3) the line item number of the appropriation receiving the transfer; and (4) the reason for the transfer $358,597,713

0330-0344 For the administration and transportation costs associated with a veterans court program $254,222

0330-0410 For the implementation of alternative dispute resolution programming; provided, that not less than $250,000 shall be expended for online dispute resolution..... $1,372,241

0330-0441 For permanency mediation services in the probate and juvenile courts..... $515,000

0330-0500 For the use of video teleconferencing for court appearances by persons in the custody of the houses of correction $254,925

0330-0599 For a probation program that administers high-intensity supervision to promote successful probation outcomes and reduce recidivism; provided, that the office of the commissioner of probation may partner with the same external research organization in fiscal year 2026 as selected in fiscal year 2025 to: (i) monitor program fidelity and design; (ii) implement the model; and (iii) collect and analyze the outcome evaluation; provided further, that said program shall be conducted at both a district and a superior court; provided further, that the trial court shall maintain this probation program in at least the 10 court locations currently in operation; and provided further, that not later than March

13, 2026, the office of the commissioner of probation shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to, any relevant data on participants and outcomes $1,373,164

0330-0601 For the operation of the specialty courts; provided, that no funds shall be transferred from this item to any other item in the trial court; and provided further, that not later than April 1, 2026, the trial court shall, in coordination with partner departments and agencies, submit reports on interdepartmental service agreements made with the partner departments and agencies to the court administrator and the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the amount of funds transferred to each specific agency or department for use in the specialty courts; (ii) the specific intent of the transfer in relation to specialty court operations; (iii) any additional services implemented by way of the transfer; and (iv) the amount of unspent funds from the transfer at the time of reporting $7,970,454

0330-0612 For the administration of the Massachusetts Community Justice Project to serve individuals with mental health and substance use disorders who are involved in the criminal justice system; provided, that the trial court shall continue to fund a project coordinator to oversee coordination and administration and to provide financial oversight of the sequential intercept model; and provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the project coordinator shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to, the: (i) design of the sequential intercept model mappings; (ii) locations of workshops held to advocate for the model; (iii) number of cases in which the model has been utilized; (iv) impact of the model on rehabilitation and recidivism; and (v) cost savings associated with the model $228,116

0330-0613 For the implementation of the recommendations set forth by the Council of State Governments Justice Center-Massachusetts Criminal Justice Review including, but not limited to, the establishment of new programs and expansion of existing programs targeted at recidivism reduction; provided, that the trial court shall transfer funds to other commonwealth agencies and departments of the commonwealth as outlined in this item; provided further, that not less than 15 days before any such transfer, the trial court administrator shall notify the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that if no state agency or department is specifically designated to receive funds from this item, the trial court administrator shall distribute funding based on the recommendations of the Council of State Governments Justice Center-Massachusetts Criminal Justice Review; provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, each state agency or department receiving funds from this item shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing, as applicable, participation, completion and recidivism rates, delineated by gender; provided further, that the department of correction shall expend not less than $637,500 to expand recidivism reduction programming; provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the department of correction shall submit a report to the executive office of public safety and security, the executive office for administration and finance, the house and senate committees on ways and means and

the joint committee on the judiciary on the types of recidivism reduction programs provided, participation, completion and recidivism rates for said recidivism reduction programming; provided further, that the report shall be delineated by gender and include descriptions of new programs offered to women as a result of these funds; provided further, that not less than $345,000 shall be expended on grants administered by the executive office of public safety and security to support the expansion of evidence-based cognitive behavioral programs in county houses of correction and jails; provided further, that the secretary of public safety and security shall award grants on a competitive basis and applicants shall provide a plan for ensuring that proposed programs shall be implemented with fidelity to a research-based, evidence-based or evidence-informed program design; provided further, that if there is no existing research or evidence supporting the proposed program, applicants shall describe in detail how the program will be evaluated with sufficient rigor to add to existing research; provided further, that not less than $130,000 shall be expended for: (a) evaluating the caseload of parole and probation officers; (b) hiring new officers accordingly; and (c) expanding programs and services at community corrections centers; provided further, that not less than $2,300,000 shall be expended for a transitional youth early intervention probation pilot program to be administered by the office of the commissioner of probation; provided further, that not less than $45,000 shall be expended for the improvement of case management and data-tracking capacity in the office of the commissioner of probation; and provided further, that not less than $5,075,000 shall be expended in conjunction with the executive office of health and human services for the development and implementation of a behavioral health strategy, including statewide capacity to track the utilization of behavioral health care services and behavioral health outcomes for persons in the criminal justice system within the Medicaid management information system $8,662,500

Superior Court Department.

0331-0100 For the operation of the superior court department; provided, that funds shall be expended for medical malpractice tribunals under section 60B of chapter 231 of the General Laws; and provided further, that the clerk of the court shall be responsible for the internal administration of the clerk's office, including personnel, staff services and record keeping $40,924,734

District Court Department.

0332-0100 For the operation of the district court department, including a civil conciliation program; provided, that notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, the district court of Chelsea shall be the permanent location for the northern trial session to handle 6-person jury cases; and provided further, that all personnel within said district court whose duties related to said northern trial session shall report to the clerk-magistrate of said district court..... $91,656,230

Probate and Family Court Department.

0333-0002 For the operation of the probate and family court department; provided, that not less than $848,014 shall be expended for the continuation of the case management triage plan $48,053,606

Land Court Department.

0334-0001 For the operation of the land court department $6,103,614

Boston Municipal Court Department.

0335-0001 For the operation of the Boston municipal court department $17,013,331

Housing Court Department.

0336-0002 For the operation of the housing court department; provided, that funds shall be expended on court interpreter services $14,717,104

Juvenile Court Department.

0337-0002 For the operation of the juvenile court department $27,679,013

Office of the Commissioner of Probation.

0339-1001 For the office of the commissioner of probation; provided, that the office shall enter into an interagency service agreement with the department of revenue to verify income data and to use the department's wage reporting and bank match system for weekly tape-matching to determine an individual's eligibility for appointment of indigent counsel under chapter 211D of the General Laws; provided further, that not less than $479,167 shall be expended for DNA testing; provided further, that not less than $450,000 shall be expended for expanded drug testing capacity; provided further, that not less than $222,000 shall be expended for increased sealing and expungement capacity; provided further, that not less than $250,000 shall be expended for a caseload management software system for the juvenile and probate and family courts; provided further, that not less than $641,000 shall be expended for a pre-trial services unit; provided further, that not less than $350,000 shall be expended for increased electronic monitoring capacity; provided further, that not less than $374,667 shall be expended for a probate and family court workload reduction project; provided further, that not less than $160,000 shall be expended for the purchase of bulletproof vests for probation officers; provided further, that funds may be expended for increased lab-based testing, oral toxicology tests and new urine tests to detect additional substances; provided further, that funds shall be used for the ongoing development and implementation of the validated risk assessment tool to inform pre-adjudication decision making with regard to detention, release on personal recognizance or release under conditions of criminal defendants before the adult trial court; provided further, that not later than November 3, 2025, 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 status of the validated risk assessment tool; (ii) efforts to implement the risk assessment tool; (iii) further goals to expand the use of the risk assessment tool; and (iv) the outcomes associated with utilization of

the risk assessment tool; and provided further, that funds from this item shall be expended for the costs associated with the full implementation of chapter 303 of the acts of 2006 and chapter 418 of the acts of 2006 to ensure effective supervision of probationers who are monitored through global positioning system bracelets $197,302,225

0339-1003 For the office of community corrections and performance-based contracts for the operation of community corrections centers; provided, that not later than March 3, 2026, 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 performance standards used to evaluate community corrections centers; (ii) a description of how each community corrections center compares based on performance and utilization data; (iii) the amount of each contract awarded to community corrections centers on a per-client-day basis; (iv) the standards for terminating contracts with underperforming community corrections centers; and (v) plans for increasing the use of community corrections centers by the courts, the department of correction and the county sheriffs' offices; provided further, that the executive director of the office of community corrections may make funds available from this item for rehabilitative pilot programs that incorporate evidence-based corrections practices; and provided further, that the office may provide re-entry services programs, which shall not operate as intermediate sanctions programs as defined in section 1 of chapter 211F of the General Laws, to any person released from incarceration including, but not limited to, any probationer or parolee $33,668,302

0339-1005 For a competitive grant program to be administered by the office of the commissioner of probation for cities and towns, acting either individually or in concert, to pilot or expand multidisciplinary approaches to divert juveniles and young adults from the juvenile and criminal justice systems prior to arrest or arraignment through coordinated programs for prevention and intervention that serve youths and their families including, but not limited to: (i) connecting youths to mental health services; (ii) providing youth development activities and mentoring; (iii) promoting school safety, family home visits, juvenile diversion programs and restorative justice and mediation programs; and (iv) providing assistance for families and schools to navigate the legal system; provided, that eligible applicants may partner with nonprofit organizations to provide programs and services; provided further, that the office shall give preference to applications that: (a) clearly outline a comprehensive plan for municipalities to collaborate with law enforcement agencies, schools, community-based organizations and government agencies to address juvenile delinquency and young adult crime; (b) include written commitments of municipalities, law enforcement agencies, schools, community-based organizations and government agencies to collaborate; (c) make a written commitment to match grant funds with not less than a 25 per cent matching grant provided by either municipal or private contributions; and (d) identify a local governmental unit to serve as the fiscal agent for the proposed programs and services; provided further, that administrative costs for approved grant applications shall not exceed 5 per cent of the value of the grant; and provided further, that not later than March 13, 2026, the office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (1) the number of grant

applications received; (2) the number of grants approved; (3) the amount of funds issued to each grantee; and (4) details regarding each grantee, including geographic location, services offered, organizations with which the grantee collaborated, matching funds provided and the number of juveniles and young adults served $515,000

0339-1011 For a grant program to be administered by the office of the commissioner of probation for community-based residential re-entry programs to reduce recidivism by providing transitional housing, workforce development and case management to individuals returning to the community from county correctional facilities and state prisons, including incarcerated persons under the supervision of state prisons and county correctional facilities approved under sections 49 and 86F of chapter 127 of the General Laws and individuals on parole or on probation; provided, that no funds shall be transferred from this item to any other item in the trial court; provided further, that said programs shall provide supervision and accountability as needed; provided further, that the funds shall be awarded through a competitive process to qualified nonprofit organizations with a documented history of providing comprehensive, evidence-based or evidence-informed community residential re-entry services; provided further, that applicants shall provide a plan for ensuring that proposed programs shall be implemented with fidelity to a research-based, evidence-based or evidence-informed program design; provided further, that not less than $1,000,000 shall be spent on women and elderly persons returning from incarceration; and provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the outcomes and recidivism rates of the participants..... $16,079,410

Office of Jury Commissioner.

0339-2100 For the office of jury commissioner under chapter 234A of the General Laws..... $3,998,640

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS.

Suffolk District Attorney.

0340-0100 For the Suffolk district attorney's office, including the victim and witness assistance program, the child abuse and sexual assault prosecution program, the domestic violence unit and the children's advocacy center; provided, that 50 per cent of fees payable under rules 15(d) and 30(c)(8) of the Massachusetts Rules of Criminal Procedure for appeals taken by the office shall be paid from this item; and provided further, that no assistant district attorney shall be paid an annual salary of less than $68,000..... $29,078,956

0340-0198 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Suffolk district attorney's office..... $488,843

Middlesex District Attorney.

0340-0200 For the Middlesex district attorney's office, including the victim and witness assistance program, the child abuse and sexual assault

prosecution program and the domestic violence unit; provided, that 50 per cent of fees payable under rules 15(d) and 30(c)(8) of the Massachusetts Rules of Criminal Procedure for appeals taken by the office shall be paid from this item; and provided further, that no assistant district attorney shall be paid an annual salary of less than $68,000 ..... $24,748,204

0340-0298 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Middlesex district attorney's office $724,350

Eastern District Attorney.

0340-0300 For the Eastern district attorney's office, including the victim and witness assistance program, the child abuse and sexual assault prosecution program and the domestic violence unit; provided, that 50 per cent of fees payable under rules 15(d) and 30(c)(8) of the Massachusetts Rules of Criminal Procedure for appeals taken by the office shall be paid from this item; and provided further, that no assistant district attorney shall be paid an annual salary of less than $68,000 ..... $15,002,530

0340-0398 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Eastern district attorney's office $695,868

Worcester District Attorney.

0340-0400 For the Worcester district attorney's office, including the victim and witness assistance program, the child abuse and sexual assault prosecution program and the domestic violence unit; provided, that 50 per cent of fees payable under rules 15(d) and 30(c)(8) of the Massachusetts Rules of Criminal Procedure for appeals taken by the office shall be paid from this item; and provided further, that no assistant district attorney shall be paid an annual salary of less than $68,000 ..... $16,246,281

0340-0498 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Worcester district attorney's office $588,201

Hampden District Attorney.

0340-0500 For the Hampden district attorney's office, including the victim and witness assistance program, the child abuse and sexual assault prosecution program and the domestic violence unit; provided, that 50 per cent of fees payable under rules 15(d) and 30(c)(8) of the Massachusetts Rules of Criminal Procedure for appeals taken by the office shall be paid from this item; and provided further, that no assistant district attorney shall be paid an annual salary of less than $68,000 ..... $16,892,176

0340-0598 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Hampden district attorney's office $595,785

Northwestern District Attorney.

0340-0600 For the Northwestern district attorney's office, including the victim and witness assistance program, the child abuse and sexual assault prosecution program, the domestic violence unit and the anti-crime task force; provided, that 50 per cent of fees payable under rules 15(d) and 30(c)(8) of the Massachusetts Rules of Criminal Procedure for appeals taken by the office shall be paid from this item; and provided further, that no assistant district attorney shall be paid an annual salary of less than $68,000 ..... $10,010,676

0340-0698 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Northwestern district attorney's office $418,560

Norfolk District Attorney.

0340-0700 For the Norfolk district attorney's office, including the victim and witness assistance program, the child abuse and sexual assault prosecution program and the domestic violence unit; provided, that 50 per cent of fees payable under rules 15(d) and 30(c)(8) of the Massachusetts Rules of Criminal Procedure for appeals taken by the office shall be paid from this item; and provided further, that no assistant district attorney shall be paid an annual salary of less than $68,000 ..... $14,643,846

0340-0798 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Norfolk district attorney's office $576,944

Plymouth District Attorney.

0340-0800 For the Plymouth district attorney's office, including the victim and witness assistance program, the child abuse and sexual assault prosecution program and the domestic violence unit; provided, that 50 per cent of fees payable under rules 15(d) and 30(c)(8) of the Massachusetts Rules of Criminal Procedure for appeals taken by the office shall be paid from this item; and provided further, that no assistant district attorney shall be paid an annual salary of less than $68,000 ..... $12,934,832

0340-0898 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Plymouth district attorney's office $602,558

Bristol District Attorney.

0340-0900 For the Bristol district attorney's office, including the victim and witness assistance program, the child abuse and sexual assault prosecution program and the domestic violence unit; provided, that 50 per cent of fees payable under rules 15(d) and 30(c)(8) of the Massachusetts Rules of Criminal Procedure for appeals taken by the office shall be paid from this item; and provided further, that no assistant district attorney shall be paid an annual salary of less than $68,000 ..... $14,716,103

0340-0998 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Bristol district attorney's office $720,188

Cape and Islands District Attorney.

0340-1000 For the Cape and Islands district attorney's office, including the victim and witness assistance program, the child abuse and sexual assault prosecution program and the domestic violence unit; provided, that 50 per cent of fees payable under rules 15(d) and 30(c)(8) of the Massachusetts Rules of Criminal Procedure for appeals taken by the office shall be paid from this item; and provided further, that no assistant district attorney shall be paid an annual salary of less than $68,000 ..... $6,650,846

0340-1098 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Cape and Islands district attorney's office..... $398,503

Berkshire District Attorney.

0340-1100 For the Berkshire district attorney's office, including the victim and witness assistance program, the child abuse and sexual assault prosecution program, the drug task force, the domestic violence unit and the Berkshire county law enforcement task force; provided, that 50 per cent of fees payable under rules 15(d) and 30(c)(8) of the Massachusetts Rules of Criminal Procedure for appeals taken by the office shall be paid from this item; and provided further, that no assistant district attorney shall be paid an annual salary of less than $68,000 ..... $6,137,391

0340-1198 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Berkshire district attorney's office..... $324,857

MASSACHUSETTS DISTRICT ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION.

0340-0203 For the implementation and administration of drug diversion programs for nonviolent young adult drug offenders; provided, that individuals using heroin or other opiate derivatives who are arrested for nonviolent crimes shall be eligible for such programs; provided further, that individuals charged with violent crimes shall not be eligible for participation in a drug diversion program; provided further, that a district attorney's office may contract with any organization to administer a drug diversion program or an education program; provided further, that such programs shall be designed in consultation with the department of public health; provided further, that eligible drug diversion programs shall offer pre-arraignment or post-arraignment programs for non-violent drug offenders to provide candidates the opportunity to receive comprehensive substance use treatment services in lieu of prosecution through the traditional court process; provided further, that treatment plans may include, but shall not be limited to, inpatient, outpatient and step-down recovery services; provided further, that diversion program candidates without insurance coverage for such services shall not be denied access to the program based on the inability to pay; provided further, that not less than 60 days before the distribution of funds, the Massachusetts District Attorneys Association shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (i) the amount to be given to each district attorney's office; (ii) the methodology for the distribution; and (iii) the administration and cost of the program; and provided further, that no funds from this item shall be expended on

the administrative costs of the Massachusetts District Attorneys Association..... $499,950

0340-2100 For the operation of the Massachusetts District Attorneys Association, including the implementation and related expenses of the district attorneys' offices automation, case management and tracking system; provided, that expenses associated with the system may be charged directly to this item; provided further, that the association shall work in conjunction with the disabled persons protection commission and the 11 district attorneys' offices to prepare a report that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the number of abuse cases that are referred to each district attorney's office for further investigation; (ii) the number of said referrals resulting in the filing of criminal charges, delineated by type of charge; (iii) the number of cases referred to each district attorney's office that remain open as of the date for submission of the report; and (iv) the number of cases that resulted in a criminal prosecution and the disposition of each such prosecution; provided further, that not later than March 13, 2026, said report shall be submitted to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the clerks of the house of representatives and senate; provided further, that not later than January 15, 2026, the association shall work in conjunction with the 11 district attorneys' offices to prepare and submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the clerks of the house of representatives and senate; provided further, that the association shall provide said offices with an agreed-upon template for the report to be filled out; provided further, that said offices shall submit said report in a standard electronic format; provided further, that said template shall include, delineated by charge type: (a) the number of criminal cases initiated by arraignment in each department of the trial court; (b) the number of criminal cases disposed of in each department of the trial court; (c) the number of cases appealed to the appeals courts, or of the supreme judicial court, a single justice of the appeals court or supreme judicial court or any other appeals; (d) the number of cases reviewed but not charged; and (e) the number of cases under active management where the case includes charges for drug offenses under chapter 94C of the General Laws, motor vehicle offenses under chapter 90 of the General Laws or firearm offenses under chapter 140 of the General Laws; and provided further, that each district attorney shall notify the house and senate committees on ways and means at least 30 days before transferring any funds from the AA object class of each district attorney's administrative line item and means of its intention to make that transfer $2,638,927

0340-2117 For the retention of assistant district attorneys and non-attorney staff with not less than 3 years of experience; provided, that the Massachusetts District Attorneys Association shall transfer funds to the AA object class in each of the 11 district attorneys' offices; provided further, that the association shall develop a formula for the distribution of said funds; provided further, that funds distributed from this item to the district attorneys' offices shall be used for retention purposes and shall not be transferred out of the AA object class; provided further, that not more than $125,000 shall be distributed to any 1 district attorney's office for such purpose; provided further, that not less than 60 days prior to the distribution of funds, the Massachusetts District Attorneys Association shall submit a report to the house and senate committees

on ways and means detailing: (i) the methodology used to determine the amount to be disbursed; (ii) the amount to be given to each district attorney's office; (iii) the methodology for the distribution; and (iv) the number of assistant district attorneys and non-attorney staff from each office who would receive funds from this item; and provided further, that no funds from this item shall be expended for the administrative costs of the Massachusetts District Attorneys Association $1,000,000

0340-8908 For the costs associated with maintaining the Massachusetts District Attorneys Association's wide area network $3,364,704

EXECUTIVE.

0411-1000 For the offices of the governor, the lieutenant governor and the governor's council; provided, that the amount appropriated in this item may be used at the discretion of the governor for the payment of extraordinary expenses not otherwise provided for and for transfers to appropriation items where the amounts otherwise available may be insufficient; provided further, that funds may be expended for the governor's commission on intellectual disability; provided further, that funds may be expended for the governor's development coordinating council; and provided further, that the advisory council on Alzheimer's disease and related disorders, established in section 379 of chapter 194 of the acts of 1998, shall continue during fiscal year 2026 ..... $6,482,282

0411-1020 For the operation of the office of climate innovation and resilience $500,000

SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

0511-0000 For the operation of the office of the secretary of the commonwealth; provided, that the secretary may transfer funds between items 0540-0900, 0540-1000, 0540-1100, 0540-1200, 0540-1300, 0540-1400, 0540-1500, 0540-1600, 0540-1700, 0540-1800, 0540-1900, 0540-2000 and 0540-2100 under an allocation schedule, which shall be filed with the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 30 days before the transfer; and provided further, that each register of deeds using electronic record books shall ensure that all methods of electronically recording instruments conform to the regulations or standards established by the secretary of the commonwealth and the records conservation board $8,639,411

0511-0001 For the secretary of the commonwealth, who may expend not more than $15,000 in revenues collected from the sale of merchandise at the state house gift shop to restock gift shop inventory $15,000

0511-0002 For the operation of the corporations division; provided, that the division shall implement a corporate dissolution program; and provided further, that not later than April 1, 2026, the secretary of the commonwealth shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the total number of reports filed as a result of this program and the amount of revenue generated for the commonwealth $606,206

0511-0200	For the operation of the archives division; provided, that the secretary of the commonwealth shall expend not less than $200,000 for preservation matching grants for municipalities and nonprofit organizations to preserve veterans' monuments, memorials and other significant sites and historic documents; and provided further, that the program shall be administered by the state historic records advisory board	$879,130
0511-0230	For the operation of the records center	$36,259
0511-0250	For the operation of the archives facility	$847,715
0511-0260	For the operation of the commonwealth museum	$292,412
0511-0270	For the secretary of the commonwealth, who shall contract with the University of Massachusetts Donahue Institute to provide the commonwealth with technical assistance on United States census data and to prepare annual population estimates	$1,530,663
0511-0280	For the secretary of the commonwealth, who may expend not more than $500,000 in revenues collected from fees assessed upon communication technology service providers for administration and monitoring of the remote online notarization program under subsection (i) of section 28 of chapter 222 of the General Laws; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the secretary of the commonwealth may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system	$500,000
0511-0420	For the operation of the address confidentiality program	$273,211
0517-0000	For the printing of public documents	$577,146
0521-0000	For the operation of the elections division, including preparation, printing and distribution of ballots and for other miscellaneous expenses for primary and other elections; provided, that the secretary of the commonwealth may award grants for voter registration and education; and provided further, that the registration and education activities may be conducted by community-based voter registration and education organizations	$14,085,226
0521-0001	For the operation of the central voter registration computer system; provided, that not later than January 30, 2026, the secretary of the commonwealth shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing voter registration activity	$11,448,118
0521-0002	For implementing early voting in the commonwealth under sections 6 and 7 of chapter 115 of the acts of 2020 and section 25B of chapter 54 of the General Laws, as determined through the collection and certification of accurate accounting by the state auditor and division of local mandates for distribution by the secretary of the commonwealth	$3,000,000
0524-0000	For providing information to voters	$455,738

0526-0100	For the operation of the Massachusetts historical commission	$1,153,624
0527-0100	For the operation of the ballot law commission	$10,384
0528-0100	For the operation of the records conservation board	$36,396
0540-0900	For the registry of deeds located in the city of Lawrence	$1,431,071
0540-1000	For the registry of deeds located in the city of Salem	$3,246,205
0540-1100	For the registry of deeds located in the county of Franklin	$711,431
0540-1200	For the registry of deeds located in the county of Hampden	$2,230,765
0540-1300	For the registry of deeds located in the county of Hampshire	$890,512
0540-1400	For the registry of deeds located in the city of Lowell	$1,358,057
0540-1500	For the registry of deeds located in the city of Cambridge	$4,587,131
0540-1600	For the registry of deeds located in the town of Adams	$475,103
0540-1700	For the registry of deeds located in the city of Pittsfield	$642,533
0540-1800	For the registry of deeds located in the town of Great Barrington	$381,268
0540-1900	For the registry of deeds located in the county of Suffolk	$2,685,808
0540-2000	For the registry of deeds located in the city of Fitchburg	$826,636
0540-2100	For the registry of deeds located in the city of Worcester	$2,658,397

TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL.

Office of the Treasurer and Receiver General.

0610-0000	For the office of the treasurer and receiver general; provided, that the treasurer shall provide computer services required by the teachers' retirement board; provided further, that funds may be expended for the payment of bank fees; and provided further, that financial assistance shall be made available to injured firefighters	$12,729,305
0610-0010	For programs to promote and improve financial literacy for Massachusetts residents	$1,476,700
0610-0050	For the administration of the alcoholic beverages control commission in its efforts to regulate and control the conduct and condition of traffic in alcoholic beverages; provided, that the commission shall maintain at least 1 chief investigator and other investigators as may be necessary for the regulation and control of trafficking of alcoholic beverages; provided further, that the commission shall work and cooperate with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives in the United States Department of Justice and other relevant federal agencies to assist in its efforts to regulate and control trafficking of	

alcoholic beverages; and provided further, that the commission shall seek out matching federal funds and apply for federal grants that may be available to assist in the enforcement of laws pertaining to the trafficking of alcoholic beverages $6,255,309

0610-0051 For the operation of the alcoholic beverages control commission relative to the prevention of underage drinking and related programs including, but not limited to, applying for and obtaining Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives in the United States Department of Justice funds, grants and other federal appropriations; provided, that the commission may expend not more than $350,000 in revenues collected from fees generated by the commission; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the commission may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $350,000

0610-0060 For the costs associated with the investigation and enforcement division of the alcoholic beverages control commission's implementation of the enhanced liquor enforcement programs known as the safe campus, safe holidays, safe prom and safe summer programs; provided, that funds from this item shall not support other operating costs of item 0610-0050 ..... $348,780

0610-2000 For payments made to veterans under section 1 of chapter 646 of the acts of 1968, section 16 of chapter 130 of the acts of 2005 and section 11 of chapter 132 of the acts of 2009; provided, that the office of the state treasurer may expend not more than $500,000 for costs incurred in the administration of these payments; and provided further, that not later than September 26, 2025, the state treasurer shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (i) the number of veterans applying for the payments, delineated by in-person and online applications; and (ii) how many payments were approved in the prior fiscal year $2,803,626

0611-1000 For bonus payments to war veterans $44,500

0612-0105 For payment of the public safety employee killed in the line of duty benefit established in section 100A of chapter 32 of the General Laws; provided, that the office of the state treasurer shall provide immediate written notification to the secretary of administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means upon the expenditure of the funds appropriated in this item; and provided further, that at the written request of the office of the state treasurer, the comptroller shall transfer uncommitted and unobligated funds from item 1599-3384 to this item $600,000

Lottery Commission.

0640-0000 For the operation of the state lottery commission and arts lottery; provided, that no funds shall be expended from this item for costs associated with the promotion or advertising of lottery games; provided further, that positions funded from this item shall not be

subject to chapters 30 and 31 of the General Laws; and provided further, that 25 per cent of the amount appropriated in this item shall be transferred quarterly from the State Lottery and Gaming Fund, established in section 35 of chapter 10 of the General Laws, to the General Fund $118,028,408

0640-0005 For the costs associated with monitor games; provided, that 25 per cent of the amount appropriated in this item shall be transferred quarterly from the State Lottery and Gaming Fund, established in section 35 of chapter 10 of the General Laws, to the General Fund $4,321,359

0640-0010 For the promotional activities associated with the state lottery program; provided, that not later than June 26, 2026, the state lottery commission shall issue a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing additional revenues generated as a result of promotional activities funded from this item; and provided further, that 25 per cent of the amount appropriated in this item shall be transferred quarterly from the State Lottery and Gaming Fund, established in section 35 of chapter 10 of the General Laws, to the General Fund $7,000,000

0640-0096 For the commonwealth's fiscal year 2026 contributions to the health and welfare fund established under the collective bargaining agreement between the state lottery commission and the Service Employees International Union, Local 888, AFL-CIO; provided, that the contributions shall be paid to the fund on such basis as the collective bargaining agreement provides; and provided further, that 25 per cent of the amount appropriated in this item shall be transferred quarterly from the State Lottery and Gaming Fund, established in section 35 of chapter 10 of the General Laws, to the General Fund $618,509

Massachusetts Cultural Council.

0640-0300 For the services and operations of the Massachusetts cultural council, including grants to or contracts with public and nonpublic entities; provided, that the council may expend the amounts appropriated in this item for the council as provided in sections 52 to 58A, inclusive, of chapter 10 of the General Laws; provided further, that 25 per cent of the amount appropriated in this item shall be transferred quarterly from the State Lottery and Gaming Fund, established in section 35 of chapter 10 of the General Laws, to the General Fund; provided further, that a person employed under this item shall be considered an employee within the meaning of section 1 of chapter 150E of the General Laws and shall be placed in the appropriate bargaining unit; provided further, that the council shall expend from any source an amount not less than 75 per cent of this item on grants and subsidies to further the achievement of the goals of the council's 3-year strategic plan, including: (i) stewarding programmatic practices that advance equity, diversity and inclusion; (ii) advancing the creative and cultural sector through building partnerships, identifying recommendations, and storytelling; and (iii) ensuring internal systems, structures and ways of working reflect the council's values of creativity, public service and inclusion and advance the sector's needs; and provided further, that not later than November 3, 2025, the council shall submit its board-approved fiscal year 2026 spending plan to the office of the state treasurer, the executive office for administration and finance, the

house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on tourism, arts and cultural development including, but not limited to, the amounts to be expended on: (a) grants and subsidies; (b) personnel; (c) leases and utilities; and (d) travel, delineated by in-state and board-approved out-of-state travel $26,045,152

Debt Service.

0699-0005 For the state treasurer, who may retain and expend not more than $30,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 from premiums paid on the sales of revenue anticipation notes and expend those premium payments to pay the principal and interest on account of the revenue anticipation notes $30,000,000

0699-0014 For the payment of interest, discount and principal on certain indebtedness incurred under chapter 233 of the acts of 2008 for financing the accelerated bridge program $270,606,457

Commonwealth Transportation Fund.....100%

0699-0015 For the payment of interest, discount and principal on certain bonded debt and the sale of bonds of the commonwealth; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the state treasurer may make payments under section 38C of chapter 29 of the General Laws from this item and items 0699-9100, 0699-2005 and 0699-0014; provided further, that the payments shall pertain to the bonds, notes or other obligations authorized to be paid from each item; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the comptroller may transfer the amounts that would otherwise be unexpended on June 30, 2026 from this item to items 0699-9100, 0699-2005 and 0699-0014 or from said items 0699-9100, 0699-2005 and 0699-0014 to this item that would otherwise have insufficient amounts to meet debt service obligations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026; provided further, that each amount transferred shall be charged to the funds as specified in the item to which the amount is transferred; provided further, that payments on bonds issued under section 2O of said chapter 29 shall be paid from this item and shall be charged to the infrastructure subfund of the Commonwealth Transportation Fund; and provided further, that notwithstanding any provision of this item or of any other general or special law to the contrary, the comptroller may charge the payments authorized in the item to the appropriate budgetary or other fund subject to a plan which the comptroller shall file 10 days in advance with the house and senate committees on ways and means $2,250,387,453

General Fund.....56.83%
Commonwealth Transportation Fund 43.17%

0699-2005 For the payment of interest, discount and principal on certain indebtedness that may be incurred for financing the central artery/third harbor tunnel funding shortfall $82,370,751

Commonwealth Transportation Fund.....100%

0699-9100 For the payment of costs associated with any bonds, notes or other obligations of the commonwealth, including issuance costs, interest

on bonds, bond and revenue anticipation notes, commercial paper and other notes under sections 47 and 49B of chapter 29 of the General Laws and for the payment to the United States under Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. 148, of any rebate amount or yield reduction payment owed with respect to any bonds or notes or other obligations of the commonwealth; provided, that the state treasurer shall certify to the comptroller a schedule of the distribution of costs among the various funds of the commonwealth; provided further, that not more than $400,000 shall be expended from this item for the costs of personnel at the debt department of the office of the state treasurer; provided further, that the comptroller shall charge costs to the funds in accordance with the schedule; and provided further, that any deficit in this item at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026 shall be charged to the various funds or to the General Fund or the Commonwealth Transportation Fund debt service reserves $28,681,484

OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR.

0710-0000 For the office of the state auditor, including the review and monitoring of privatization contracts under sections 52 to 55, inclusive, of chapter 7 of the General Laws $20,200,234

0710-0100 For the operation of the division of local mandates $443,932

0710-0200 For the operation of the bureau of special investigations; provided, that the office of the state auditor shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the total amount of fraudulently obtained benefits identified by the bureau, the total value of settlement restitution payments, actual monthly collections and any circumstances that produce shortfalls in collections $2,599,086

0710-0225 For the operation of the Medicaid audit unit within the division of audit operations to prevent and identify fraud and abuse in the MassHealth system; provided, that the federal reimbursement for any expenditure from this item shall not be less than 50 per cent; provided further, that not later than February 27, 2026, the division shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing all findings on activities and payments made through the MassHealth system; provided further, that the report shall include, to the extent available, a review of all post-audit efforts undertaken by MassHealth to recoup payments owed to the commonwealth due to identified fraud and abuse; provided further, that the report shall include the responses of MassHealth to the most recent post-audit review survey, including the status of recoupment efforts; and provided further, that the report shall include the unit's recommendations to enhance recoupment efforts $1,483,719

0710-0300 For costs related to the use of data analytic techniques to identify fraud by the bureau of special investigations $557,724

0710-0400 For the operation of an information technology audit unit within the office of the state auditor in order to conduct audits of high risk information technology related activities including, cybersecurity,

data access, systems operations, data integrity and regulatory compliance $865,519

Police Reform Commission.

0800-0000 For the operation of the Massachusetts Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission; provided, that not later than March 16, 2026, the commission shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the commission's current caseload for fiscal year 2026; (ii) the number of complaints concerning police officer conduct received by the commission; (iii) patterns of unprofessional police conduct identified by the commission; and (iv) the number of police officers suspended by the commission and the reason for said suspension $8,922,427

0800-0001 For the operation of the commission on the status of African Americans $150,000

0800-0002 For the operation of the commission on the status of Latinos and Latinas $150,000

0800-0003 For the operation of the commission on the status of persons with disabilities..... $150,000

0800-0004 For the operation of the commission on the social status of Black men and boys $150,000

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

0810-0000 For the office of the attorney general, including the administration of the local consumer aid fund, established in section 11G of chapter 12 of the General Laws, the operation of the anti-trust division, all regional offices, a high-tech crime unit and the victim and witness assistance program; provided, that the victim and witness assistance program shall be administered under chapters 258B and 258C of the General Laws $48,072,168

0810-0013 For the office of the attorney general, which may expend for a false claims program not more than $4,542,326 in revenues collected from enforcement of sections 5A to 5O, inclusive, of chapter 12 of the General Laws; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $4,542,326

0810-0014 For the operation of the office of ratepayer advocacy within the office of the attorney general under section 11E of chapter 12 of the General Laws; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the amount assessed under said section 11E of said chapter 12 shall equal the amount expended from this item and the associated fringe benefit costs for personnel paid from this item; and provided further, that funds shall be expended for the expenses of legal and

technical personnel and associated administrative and travel expenses relative to participation in regulatory proceedings at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission on behalf of ratepayers in the commonwealth $3,233,255

0810-0016 For the office of the attorney general, which may expend not more than $618,200 from revenues collected from costs of litigation, including reasonable attorney and expert witness fees as awarded to the attorney general by the court or as agreed upon by the parties in settlement of any claims brought pursuant to the acts enforced in this item, for the development and prosecution of claims for enforcement by the commonwealth of the federal Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq., the federal Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq., the federal Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300f et seq., the federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq., the federal Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act, 42 U.S.C 11001 et seq., the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 6901 et seq. and the federal Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq. including, but not limited to, the investigation of such claims, personnel and litigation costs, the engagement of experts, the administration of studies or related activities and the enforcement of settlements; provided, that penalties payable to the commonwealth under the General Laws that are recovered by the commonwealth in the course of prosecuting claims for enforcement of federal law shall be deposited into the General Fund; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $618,200

0810-0021 For the operation of the Medicaid fraud control unit; provided, that the federal reimbursement for any expenditure from this item shall not be less than 75 per cent of the expenditure; provided further, that funds shall continue to be used specifically for the investigation and prosecution of abuse, neglect, mistreatment and misappropriation based on referrals from the department of public health under section 72H of chapter 111 of the General Laws; provided further, that the unit shall provide training for all investigators of the department of public health's division of health care quality responsible for the investigations on a periodic basis pursuant to a comprehensive training program to be developed by the division and the unit; and provided further, that training shall include instruction on techniques for improving the efficiency and quality of investigations of abuse, neglect, mistreatment and misappropriation referred under said section 72H of said chapter 111..... $5,726,249

0810-0045 For the wage enforcement program; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, a nonmanagement position funded by this item shall be considered a job title in a collective bargaining unit as prescribed by the labor relations commission and shall be subject to chapter 150E of the General Laws; provided further, that not less than $500,000 shall be expended for the operation and administration of a specialized prevailing wage and

construction investigatory and enforcement unit within the wage enforcement program; provided further, that the unit shall consist of not less than 2 investigators assigned to eastern Massachusetts, 2 investigators assigned to central Massachusetts and 2 investigators assigned to western Massachusetts; provided further, that the specialized unit shall be supervised by at least 1 supervising investigator and 1 assistant attorney general in the wage enforcement program's Boston office with significant experience investigating violations of the commonwealth's prevailing wage and construction laws; and provided further, that not later than February 27, 2026, the specialized unit shall submit a report on its annual enforcement actions and violation trends within the construction industry to the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate $7,367,276

0810-0061 For the funding of existing and future litigation committed to obtaining significant recoveries for the commonwealth $3,856,817

0810-0098 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the office of the attorney general; provided, that other costs associated with said officers shall not be funded from this item; and provided further, that no expenditures shall be made on or after the effective date of this item that would cause the commonwealth's obligation under this item to exceed the amount appropriated in this item $857,588

0810-0201 For the costs incurred in administrative or judicial proceedings on insurance under section 11F of chapter 12 of the General Laws; provided, that funds made available in this item may be used to supplement the automobile insurance fraud unit and the workers' compensation fraud unit in the office of the attorney general; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the amount assessed for these costs shall be equal to the amount expended from this item and the associated fringe benefit costs for personnel paid from this item..... $2,033,032

0810-0338 For the investigation and prosecution of automobile insurance fraud; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the amount assessed for these costs shall be equal to the amount appropriated in this item and the associated fringe benefit costs for personnel paid from this item..... $581,532

0810-0399 For the investigation and prosecution of workers' compensation fraud; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the amount assessed for these costs shall be equal to the amount appropriated in this item and the associated fringe benefit costs for personnel paid from this item; provided further, that the office of the attorney general shall investigate and prosecute, when appropriate, employers who fail to provide workers' compensation insurance as required by law and those employers or employees who may seek to defraud the system; and provided further, that the unit shall investigate and report on all companies not in compliance with chapter 152 of the General Laws $408,338

0810-1205 For programs devoted to combatting opioid addiction including, but not limited to, the investigation and enforcement of opioid dispensing practices and fraudulent prescribing practices; provided, that not later than January 30, 2026, the office of the attorney general shall submit

a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the results of said program including, but not limited to, the effectiveness of investigations, opioid and trafficking settlements pursued and long-term plans for the program $2,738,897

0810-1206 For the office of the attorney general, which may expend for a civil penalties revolving fund an amount not to exceed $2,247,769 from revenues collected from enforcement of civil law; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $2,247,769

Victim and Witness Assistance Board.

0840-0004 For compensation to victims of violent crimes; provided, that notwithstanding chapter 258C of the General Laws, if a claimant is 60 years of age or older at the time of the crime and is not employed or receiving unemployment compensation, such claimant shall be eligible for compensation under said chapter 258C even if the claimant has suffered no out-of-pocket loss; provided further, that compensation to such claimant shall be limited to a maximum of $50; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, victims of the crime of rape shall be notified of all available services designed to assist rape victims including, but not limited to, the services provided under section 5 of chapter 258B of the General Laws $3,426,323

0840-0100 For the operation of the victim and witness assistance board; provided, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for the operation and administration of trainings and educational programming that advances the goals of the Massachusetts office for victim assistance; provided further, that the chair of the victim and witness assistance board shall submit to the general court and the secretary of administration and finance a report detailing the claims submitted to the state treasurer for payment under item 0840-0004, indicating both the number and costs for each category of claim; and provided further, that the report shall be submitted not later than January 12, 2026 ..... $2,213,707

0840-0101 For the salaries and administration of the SAFEPLAN advocacy program to be administered by the Massachusetts office for victim assistance; provided, that not later than January 30, 2026, the office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the effectiveness of contracting for the program including, but not limited to, the: (i) expansion of the program's services to new courthouses throughout the commonwealth; (ii) number and types of incidents to which the advocates responded; (iii) types of services and service referrals provided by the domestic violence advocates; (iv) cost of providing such services; and (v) extent of coordination with other service providers and state agencies; and provided further, that SAFEPLAN services shall be maintained at not less than the levels provided in fiscal year 2025 ..... $2,453,510

STATE ETHICS COMMISSION.

0900-0100 For the operation of the state ethics commission $3,788,198

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL.

0910-0200 For the operation of the office of the inspector general $6,771,171

0910-0210 For the office of the inspector general, which may expend revenues collected not more than $1,680,000 from the fees charged to participants in the OIG Academy, including the Massachusetts public purchasing official certification program for the operation of such programs; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, funds may be collected in the prior fiscal year for service programs or activities delivered during the next fiscal year; and provided further, that any unspent balance at the close of the current fiscal year up to the ceiling shall remain in the account and may be expended for the item in the following fiscal year $1,680,000

0910-0220 For the operation of the bureau of program integrity established in section 16V of chapter 6A of the General Laws $840,613

0910-0230 For the operation of the data analytics unit within the office of the inspector general $703,636

0910-0300 For the operation of the internal special audit unit established in section 9 of chapter 6C of the General Laws $1,522,930

0910-0330 For the operation of the division of state police oversight established in section 72 of chapter 22C of the General Laws $481,542

OFFICE OF CAMPAIGN AND POLITICAL FINANCE.

0920-0300 For the operation of the office of campaign and political finance $2,207,235

OFFICE OF THE CHILD ADVOCATE.

0930-0100 For the operation of the office of the child advocate; provided, that not less than $100,000 shall be used to ensure effective cross-agency coordination of early childhood and school-aged student wellness efforts to address barriers to student academic success, including, but not limited to, access to social services, mental health and behavioral health resources; provided further, that not less than $300,000 shall be expended on efforts to ensure that transition-age youth who are aging out of the care or custody of the department of children and families or the department of youth services are well-prepared for and

supported in their transition into adulthood; and provided further, that such services shall include, but not be limited to, staff support through case management and the provision of direct housing services..... $4,084,063

0930-0101 For the operation of the state center on child wellbeing and trauma..... $3,750,000

MASSACHUSETTS COMMISSION AGAINST DISCRIMINATION.

0940-0100 For the Massachusetts commission against discrimination; provided, that the commission shall pursue the highest allowable rate of federal reimbursement; provided further, that not later than March 5, 2026, the commission shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the: (i) number of currently pending cases and the number of cases under investigation and in post-probable cause, with the number of post-probable cause cases delineated by the number of cases in the conciliation, pre-public hearing and post-public hearing stages; (ii) number of cases pending before the commission in which a state agency or state authority is named as a respondent, delineating those cases by agency or authority; (iii) number of new cases filed in fiscal year 2025; (iv) number of cases closed by the commission in fiscal year 2025; and (v) average duration of cases closed by the commission in fiscal year 2025, delineated by cases that reached the conciliation, pre-public hearing and post-public hearing stages; provided further, that funds made available in this item shall be in addition to funds available in items 0940-0101 and 0940-0103; and provided further, that all non-clerical positions shall be exempt from chapter 31 of the General Laws..... $9,005,005

0940-0101 For the Massachusetts commission against discrimination, which may expend not more than $1,100,000 in revenues collected from fees and federal reimbursements received for the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's fair housing programs during fiscal year 2026 and for federal reimbursements received for this and other programs in prior fiscal years; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the commission may also expend revenues generated through the collection of fees and costs so authorized; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the commission may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $1,100,000

0940-0102 For the Massachusetts commission against discrimination, which may expend not more than $410,000 in revenues collected from fees charged for training and monitoring programs; provided, that the commission shall work with the office of access and opportunity and the office of diversity and equal opportunity to design and deliver training to executive branch staff; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the commission may also expend revenues generated through the collection of fees and costs so authorized; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt

of retained revenues and related expenditures, the commission may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $410,000

0940-0103 For the Massachusetts commission against discrimination, which may expend not more than $1,400,000 in revenues from fees and federal reimbursements received in fiscal year 2026 and prior fiscal years for the purposes of United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission fair employment programs; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the commission may also expend revenues generated through the collection of fees and costs so authorized; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the commission may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate, as reported in the state accounting system..... $1,400,000

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN.

0950-0000 For the commission on the status of women established in section 66 of chapter 3 of the General Laws $972,297

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN.

0950-0030 For the commission on the status of grandparents raising grandchildren established in section 69 of chapter 3 of the General Laws..... $284,272

MASSACHUSETTS COMMISSION ON LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, QUEER AND QUESTIONING YOUTH.

0950-0050 For the commission on lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning youth established in section 67 of chapter 3 of the General Laws; provided, that funds shall be used to address issues related to the implementation of the commonwealth's anti-bullying law under section 37O of chapter 71 of the General Laws..... $1,600,000

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF ASIAN AMERICANS AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS.

0950-0080 For the commission on the status of Asian and Pacific Islanders established in section 68 of chapter 3 of the General Laws..... $586,188

OFFICE OF THE VETERAN ADVOCATE.

0960-1000 For the operation of the office of the veteran advocate $2,000,000

OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER.

1000-0001 For the office of the state comptroller for the management of the accounting, payroll, related financial systems and annual financial reports, including prescribing the books and manner of accounting and internal control guidance for all commonwealth agencies to promote accountability, integrity and clarity in commonwealth business, fiscal and administrative enterprises and to mitigate the risk of fraud, waste and abuse of commonwealth resources; provided, that the comptroller shall submit quarterly reports to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means which shall include, for each state agency for which the commonwealth is billing, the eligible state services and the full-year estimate of revenues and collected revenues; provided further, that the comptroller shall make expenditures for an enhanced intercept collections of delinquent debt program; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the comptroller may take any necessary actions to secure financial and payroll data including, but not limited to, restricting certain data released under section 20 of chapter 66 of the General Laws..... $11,419,114

MASSACHUSETTS GAMING COMMISSION.

1050-0140 For payments to cities and towns under chapter 23K of the General Laws..... $922,824

CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION.

1070-0840 For the operation of the cannabis control commission $16,424,372

Marijuana Regulation Fund..... 100%

1070-0842 For the cannabis control commission's oversight of the medical marijuana industry $3,457,321

Marijuana Regulation Fund..... 100%

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE.

Office of the Secretary.

1100-1100 For the office of the secretary of administration and finance; provided, that the secretary shall provide biannual reports, the first of which shall be submitted not later than January 30, 2026 and the second of which shall be submitted not later than May 27, 2026, to the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that the reports shall summarize existing and proposed collective bargaining agreements in an electronic format, which shall include for each agreement, , but not be limited to: (i) the session law for the previously agreed upon collective bargaining agreement; (ii) the current agreement status; (iii) the collective bargaining unit and unit number; (iv) the number of full-time equivalent employees subject to the

agreement, by item; (v) a description of the membership of the unit; (vi) the total salary base of the most recent previous agreement; (vii) the start date and expiration date of the most recent agreement; (viii) the estimated total fiscal impact of the agreement compared to the previous agreement; (ix) the base salary increases required by the agreement, by effective time; and (x) the funding status of the agreement; provided further, that the reports shall detail, by bargaining unit, the costs to the commonwealth resulting from the collective bargaining agreements with various public employees' unions, delineated by item; provided further, that the reports shall include, but not be limited to, the: (a) effective date of any new negotiations or renegotiations; (b) end date of the contract; (c) number of employees in the bargaining unit, by department; and (d) costs associated with any new negotiations or renegotiations, including salary adjustments, step increases, statutory benefits and other non-salary costs for the current and subsequent fiscal years for the life of the contract; provided further, that the executive office for administration and finance shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing federal grant applications submitted and federal grants received by executive branch agencies during the applicable reporting period; and provided further, that not later than December 2, 2025, the executive office for administration and finance shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means evaluating the stress impacts of varying economic scenarios for the next 2 fiscal years including, but not limited to, the: (1) potential effects of economic changes on tax revenue collections; and (2) sufficiency of the Commonwealth Stabilization Fund established in section 2H of chapter 29 of the General Laws and other reserve balances in offsetting potential revenue declines $4,911,475

1100-1201 For supporting activities relating to accountability and transparency including, but not limited to, economic forecasting, adoption of uniform procedures across state agencies and departments and maximizing federal revenue opportunities $588,525

1100-1700 For the provision of information technology services within the executive office for administration and finance $38,877,981

1100-2200 For the state infrastructure implementation coordinator and the operation of the federal funds and infrastructure development office; provided, that the office shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means on its activities including, but not limited to: (i) federal competitive funds awarded to the commonwealth; (ii) federal competitive funds being pursued; and (iii) the status of pending applications submitted for federal competitive funds $1,977,064

1106-0064 For the caseload and economic forecasting office; provided, that the office shall forecast: (i) MassHealth enrollment by group and coverage type; (ii) participation in state-subsidized child care provided through items 3000-3060 and 3000-4060; (iii) participation in emergency assistance and housing programs provided through items 7004-0101, 7004-0102, 7004-0108 and 7004-9316; (iv) enrollment of active members and dependents in the group insurance commission; (v) recipients of direct benefits provided by the department of transitional assistance through items 4400-1004, 4403-2000, 4405-2000 and

4408-1000; (vi) participation in programs provided by the department of children and families through items 4800-0038 and 4800-0041; and (vii) other related economic forecasts; provided further, that not later than October 31, 2025, the office shall report its fiscal year 2025 actuals, fiscal year 2026 year-to-date actuals and forecasts and fiscal year 2027 forecasts to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means; and provided further, that not later than March 16, 2026, the office shall submit updated forecasts to the executive office for administration and finance and to the house and senate committees on ways and means $248,098

Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance.

1102-3199 For the operation of the office of facilities management and maintenance, including the cost of utilities and associated contracts for properties managed by the division of capital asset management and maintenance $26,589,990

1102-3205 For the division of capital asset management and maintenance, which may expend for the maintenance and operation of the Massachusetts information technology center and other state buildings not more than $11,296,868 in revenues collected from rentals, commissions, fees and any other sources pertaining to the operations of said facilities; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the division may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $11,296,868

1102-3233 For the division of capital asset management and maintenance for the certification of contractors and subcontractors $996,529

Bureau of the State House.

1102-1128 For state house accessibility coordination, including communications access to public hearings and meetings; provided, that access shall include interpreter services for the deaf and hard of hearing $161,088

1102-3331 For the operation of the bureau of the state house; provided, that the superintendent, director of operations and other employees of the bureau shall work in conjunction with the business manager of the house of representatives and the chief financial officer of the senate on the maintenance, repair, purchases and payments for materials and services; provided further, that funds shall be expended for full-time maintenance coverage of elevators at the state house; and provided further, that funds shall be expended for personnel necessary to provide management of physical security technology at the state house $4,556,426

1102-3400 For security operations at the bureau of the state house $250,000

Office on Disability.

1107-2400 For the Massachusetts office on disability $1,405,887

DISABLED PERSONS PROTECTION COMMISSION.

1107-2501 For the operation of the disabled persons protection commission including, but not limited to, the costs of maintaining a computerized registry system of persons who have been substantiated for registrable abuse of a person with an intellectual or developmental disability; provided, that the commission shall facilitate compliance by the department of mental health and the department of developmental services with uniform investigative standards; provided further, that the commission shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the number of claims of abuse by caretakers made by employees or contracted service employees of the department of developmental services, the department of mental health and the Massachusetts rehabilitation commission; provided further, that the report shall include the number of: (i) substantiated claims; (ii) unsubstantiated claims; and (iii) false claims reported as a result of intentional and malicious action; and provided further, that all persons who call the commission's 24-hour hotline shall be provided with the opportunity to elect that the call not be recorded $12,489,298

Civil Service Commission.

1108-1011 For the civil service commission; provided, that the General Fund shall be reimbursed for the appropriation in this item through a fee charged on a per-claim basis; provided further, that the commission shall develop and implement regulations to provide for reimbursement to the General Fund; and provided further, that the commission may assess a fee upon the appointing authority when inappropriate action has occurred $1,317,029

Group Insurance Commission.

1108-5100 For the operation of the group insurance commission; provided, that on a monthly basis, the commission shall provide the caseload forecasting office with enrollment data and any other information pertinent to caseload forecasting; provided further, that the information shall be provided in a manner that meets all applicable federal and state privacy requirements; provided further, that the commission shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) any proposed plan changes accompanied by a detailed rationale for such changes; (ii) a detailed delineation of any estimated deficiencies or reversions in the current fiscal year, detailed by item; and (iii) a projection of any funding changes for the following fiscal year, detailed by item; provided further, that not later than September 26, 2025 the first such report shall be submitted; and provided further, that the commission shall provide all materials presented at any public meetings hosted by the commission to the house and senate committees on ways and means not later than 15 days after the public meeting $5,742,723

1108-5200 For the commonwealth's share of the group insurance premium and plan costs incurred in fiscal year 2026; provided, that funds may be expended from this item for the commonwealth's share of group insurance premium and plan costs provided to employees and retirees in prior fiscal years; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, funds in this item shall not be available during the accounts payable period of fiscal year 2026 and any unexpended balance in this item shall revert to the General Fund on June 30, 2026; provided further, that the secretary of administration and finance shall charge the department of unemployment assistance and other departments, authorities, agencies and divisions that have federal or other funds allocated to them for this purpose for that portion of insurance premium and plan costs as the secretary determines shall be borne by such funds and shall notify the comptroller of the amounts to be transferred, after similar determination, from the several state or other funds and amounts received in payment of all such charges or transfers shall be credited to the General Fund; provided further, that the group insurance commission shall obtain reimbursement for premium and administrative expenses from other agencies and authorities not funded by state appropriations; provided further, that the secretary of administration and finance may charge all agencies for the commonwealth's share of the health insurance costs incurred on behalf of any employees of those agencies who are on leave of absence for a period of more than 1 year; provided further, that the amounts received in payment for the charges shall be credited to the General Fund; provided further, that notwithstanding section 26 of chapter 29 of the General Laws, the commission may negotiate, purchase and execute contracts before July 1 of each year for policies of group insurance under chapter 32A of the General Laws; provided further, that the rules for determining the commonwealth's share of the group insurance premiums for active and retired state employees shall be the same as the standards in effect on July 1, 2012; provided further, that funds may be expended from this item for elderly retired governmental employees and retired municipal teachers; provided further, that not less than 90 days before any changes in coverage, benefits or the schedule of copayments and deductibles for plans offered by the group insurance commission; provided further, that the commission may pay premium and plan costs for municipal employees and retirees who are enrolled in the commission's health plans under the commission's regulations; and provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the commission shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on: (i) the average full cost premium equivalent per enrollee; (ii) the average actual cost per enrollee for enrollees from participating municipalities; (iii) the contribution ratios for each participating municipality for fiscal year 2026; (iv) the number of members in high deductible health plans; (v) the premium reimbursement paid by each municipality per active enrollee by plan; (vi) the average employee premium contribution by plan for each municipality; (vii) estimates for the total premium per active enrollee by plan for each municipality; (viii) the average employee out-of-pocket expenditure and premium contribution by salary level of employees; (ix) a comparison of the total premium estimate with the sum total of municipality reimbursement and average employee premium contribution; (x) the total amount spent on pharmaceutical drugs; and (xi) the cost of the commonwealth's projected share of premiums for the next fiscal year $2,399,561,737

1108-5201 For the costs incurred by the group insurance commission associated with providing municipal health insurance coverage under section 19 of chapter 32B of the General Laws; provided, that the commission may expend not more than $2,196,746 from revenue received from administrative fees associated with providing municipal health insurance coverage under said section 19 of said chapter 32B; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the commission may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system..... $2,196,746

1108-5500 For the costs, notwithstanding chapter 32A of the General Laws, of dental and vision benefits for active state employees, not including employees of authorities or any other political subdivision, who are not otherwise provided those benefits under a separate item or by the terms of a contract or collective bargaining agreement; provided, that such employees shall pay 15 per cent of the monthly premiums established by the group insurance commission for the benefits..... $12,634,259

Division of Administrative Law Appeals.

1110-1000 For the operation of the division of administrative law appeals; provided, that the division shall maintain, to the fullest extent practicable, a complete physical and technological separation from any agency, department, board, commission or program the decisions, determinations or actions of which may be appealed to it; and provided further, that a decision issued by a commissioner or other head of an agency or by such person's designee following the issuance of a recommended decision by an administrative law judge shall be an agency decision subject to judicial review under chapter 30A of the General Laws..... $1,951,036

1110-1002 For the division of administrative law appeals, which may expend not more than $70,000 in revenues from fees charged to appellants upon the filing of claims, for the operation of such services provided..... $70,000

George Fingold Library.

1120-4005 For the administration of the George Fingold Library..... $1,641,321

Department of Revenue.

1201-0100 For the operation of the department of revenue, including tax collection administration, audits of certain foreign corporations and the division of local services; provided, that the department may allocate funds to the office of the attorney general for the tax prosecution unit; provided further, that the department may charge the expenses for computer services, including the costs of personnel and other support costs provided to the child support enforcement unit, from this item to item 1201-0160 consistent with the costs attributable to that unit; provided further, that the department shall provide the general court

with access to the municipal data bank; provided further, that notwithstanding section 1 of chapter 31 of the General Laws, seasonal positions funded by this item shall be positions requiring the services of an incumbent, beginning not earlier than December 1 and ending not later than November 30; provided further, that seasonal positions funded by this item shall not be filled by an incumbent for more than 10 months within a 12-month period; and provided further, that not less than $820,000 shall be expended to organizations providing tax assistance services to individuals and families qualifying for the volunteer income tax assistance program, in partnership with the Internal Revenue Service, for the provision of such services $103,964,517

1201-0122 For grants to qualified low-income taxpayer clinics established under section 13 of chapter 14 of the General Laws; provided, that not later than March 2, 2026, the department of revenue shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the: (i) number of grant applications; (ii) number of rejected applications; (iii) reasons for those rejections; (iv) estimated number of taxpayers served by each approved grant; (v) geographic location of the approved grant recipient clinic; and (vi) average size of approved grants $500,000

1201-0130 For the department of revenue, which may expend for the operation of the department not more than $27,938,953 from revenues collected by the additional auditors for an enhanced audit program; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $27,938,953

1201-0160 For the child support enforcement division; provided, that the department of revenue may allocate funds appropriated in this item to other state agencies for the performance of certain child support enforcement activities and those agencies may expend funds for the purposes of this item; provided further, that not later than February 27, 2026, all such allocations shall be reported to the house and senate committees on ways and means upon the allocation of the funds; provided further, that federal receipts associated with the child support computer network shall be drawn down at the highest possible rate of reimbursement and deposited into a revolving account to be expended for the network; provided further, that federal receipts associated with child support enforcement grants shall be deposited into a revolving account to be drawn down at the highest possible rate of reimbursement and shall be expended for the grant authority; provided further, that not later than February 27, 2026, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the balance, year-to-date and projected receipts and year-to-date and projected expenditures, by subsidiary, of the child support trust fund established under section 9 of chapter 119A of the General Laws; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported

in the state accounting system for federal incentives and the network in items 12010165, 1201-0410 and 1201-0412 ..... $48,226,547

1201-0164 For the child support enforcement division; provided, that the division may expend not more than $6,767,251 from the federal reimbursements awarded for personnel and lower subsidiary related expenditures; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the division may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $6,767,251

1201-0400 For the operation of the multi-agency illegal tobacco task force established under section 40 of chapter 64C of the General Laws..... $1,188,443

1201-0911 For the costs associated with expert witnesses retained by the department of revenue to resolve tax disputes; provided, that expenditures from this item shall be the lesser of $175,000 or the amount certified by the secretary of administration and finance under section 156 of chapter 139 of the acts of 2012 ..... $175,000

1231-1000 For the Commonwealth Sewer Rate Relief Fund, established under section 2Z of chapter 29 of the General Laws..... $1,500,000

1232-0100 For underground storage tank reimbursements to parties that have remediated spills of petroleum products under chapter 21J of the General Laws $5,920,100

Underground Storage Tank Petroleum Product Cleanup Fund.....100%

1232-0200 For the Underground Storage Tank Petroleum Cleanup Fund Administrative Review Board established under section 8 of chapter 21J of the General Laws and for the administration of the underground storage tank program associated with the implementation of said chapter 21J; provided, that notwithstanding section 4 of said chapter 21J or any other general or special law to the contrary, appropriations made in this item shall be sufficient to cover the administrative expenses of the underground storage tank program; and provided further, that not later than February 27, 2026, the board shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the status of the underground storage tank program including, but not limited to, the: (i) number of municipal grants made for the removal and replacement of underground storage tanks; (ii) reimbursements for remediated petroleum spills; (iii) number of backlog claims; (iv) average waiting period for claims granted in the past year; and (v) number of tanks not in compliance with said chapter 21J..... $1,818,477

Underground Storage Tank Petroleum Product Cleanup Fund.....100%

1233-2000 For the tax abatement program for certain veterans, widows, blind persons and the elderly; provided, that cities and towns shall be reimbursed for the abatements granted under clauses Seventeenth,

Twenty-second, Twenty-second A, Twenty-second B, Twenty-second C, Twenty-second D, Twenty-second E, Twenty-second F, Thirty-seventh, Thirty-seventh A, Forty-first, Forty-first B, Forty-first C, Forty-first C 1/2 and Fifty-second of section 5 of chapter 59 of the General Laws; provided further, that the commonwealth shall reimburse each city or town that accepts said clause Forty-first B or said clause Forty-first C of said section 5 of said chapter 59 for additional costs incurred in determining eligibility of applicants under said clause Forty-first B or said clause Forty-first C of said section 5 of said chapter 59 not more than $2 per exemption granted; and provided further, that funds in this item shall be available for reimbursements to cities and towns for additional exemptions granted from the motor vehicle excise under the seventh paragraph of section 1 of chapter 60A of the General Laws $38,972,625

1233-2350 For the distribution to cities and towns of the balance of the State Lottery and Gaming Fund under clause (c) of the second paragraph of section 35 of chapter 10 of the General Laws and additional aid to municipalities as provided for in section 3..... $1,308,713,668

General Fund 63.62%
Gaming Local Aid Fund 36.38%

1233-2400 For reimbursements to cities and towns in lieu of taxes on state-owned land under sections 13 to 17, inclusive, of chapter 58 of the General Laws; provided, that not less than $1,520,000 shall be expended for one-time, additional reimbursements to cities and towns so that no city or town shall receive an amount from this line item in fiscal year 2026 that is less than the amount said city or town received in fiscal year 2025..... $54,520,000

1233-2401 For reimbursements to qualifying cities and towns for additional educational costs under chapter 40S of the General Laws..... $750,000

Appellate Tax Board.

1310-1000 For the operation of the appellate tax board; provided, that the board shall schedule hearings in each county; and provided further, that not later than January 9, 2026, the board shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the number of hearings held at each location..... $2,663,396

1310-1001 For the appellate tax board, which may expend not more than $400,000 in revenues from fees collected; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the board may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $400,000

Health Policy Commission.

1450-1200 For the operation of the health policy commission; provided, that the commission shall provide all materials presented at any public meetings hosted by the commission to the house and senate

committees on ways and means no later than 15 days after the public meeting $12,610,954

Reserves.

1599-0026 For a reserve to support municipal improvements; provided, that not less than $3,000,000 shall be expended for the District Local Technical Assistance Fund established under section 2XXX of chapter 29 of the General Laws, for initiatives, including projects that encourage regionalization, to be administered by the division of local services and distributed through the District Local Technical Assistance Fund $6,899,999

1599-0093 For contract assistance to the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust including, but not limited to, the debt service obligations of the trust, principal forgiveness, interest rate reduction and other subsidies or financial assistance under sections 6 and 18 of chapter 29C of the General Laws..... $63,383,680

1599-0105 For a reserve for costs associated with the delivery of medication-assisted treatment for substance use disorder at county correctional facilities under section 98 of chapter 208 of the acts of 2018; provided, that the secretary of administration and finance, in consultation with the commissioner of public health, may transfer funds from this item to commonwealth agencies as defined under section 1 of chapter 29 of the General Laws; and provided further, that not less than 30 days before any such transfer, the secretary shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the amount to be given to each state agency, delineated by item $18,500,000

1599-1970 For a reserve for the Massachusetts Department of Transportation to defray the costs of the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority, or its successor, incurred in fiscal year 2025 under section 138 of chapter 27 of the acts of 2009..... $125,000,000

Commonwealth Transportation Fund 100%

1599-1977 For contract assistance and other payments to the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency for payment of debt service and related obligations in connection with bonds issued by the agency under chapter 293 of the acts of 2006, as amended by chapter 129 of the acts of 2008, chapter 238 of the acts of 2012, chapter 287 of the acts of 2014 and chapter 219 of the acts of 2016; provided, that not later than January 30, 2026, the secretary of administration and finance shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the estimated contract assistance and other payments to be required under said chapter 293 of the acts of 2006, said chapter 219 of the acts of 2016, said chapter 238 of the acts of 2012 and said chapter 287 of the acts of 2014 for obligations existing not later than July 1, 2025, in fiscal years 2027 and 2028 and an estimate of anticipated contract assistance and other payments arising out of potential agreements reasonably expected to be entered into after July 1, 2025, in fiscal years 2027 and 2028..... $13,000,000

1599-2003 For the Uniform Law Commission; provided, that prior fiscal year payments may be payable from this item $75,000

1599-3234 For the South Essex sewerage district debt service assessment $33,914

1599-3384 For a reserve for the payment on behalf of a state agency as defined under section 1 of chapter 29 of the General Laws under regulations promulgated by the comptroller, of certain court judgments, settlements and legal fees that were ordered to be paid in the current fiscal year or a prior fiscal year; provided, that the office of the comptroller shall not pay attorneys' fees to outside counsel representing a state agency, including a state official or employee who is sued for actions undertaken within that individual's scope of employment for the commonwealth, in litigation before a court until the office of the attorney general has reviewed and provided written approval for the outside counsel's bills, which may be reviewed in redacted form if warranted because of a conflict of interest; provided further, that the office of the comptroller shall not pay attorneys' fees for outside counsel representing a state agency in such litigation that exceeds a cumulative amount of $250,000 until the secretary of administration and finance or a designee has reviewed and provided written approval for such attorneys' fees for outside counsel; provided further, that before a state official or employee who is sued for actions undertaken within that individual's scope of employment for the commonwealth may seek reimbursement from this item, that individual shall obtain written approval from the office of the attorney general in a form to be approved by the office of the comptroller; provided further, that the office of the comptroller shall not pay a settlement of litigation before a court on behalf of a state agency that is not within an executive office identified under section 2 of chapter 6A of the General Laws, including any state official or employee who is sued for actions undertaken within that individual's scope of employment for the commonwealth, until the office of the attorney general has reviewed and provided written approval for such a settlement; provided further, that the office of the comptroller shall not pay a settlement of litigation before a court that exceeds $250,000 on behalf of a state agency that is not within an executive office identified under said section 2 of said chapter 6A, including a state official or employee who is sued for actions undertaken within that individual's scope of employment for the commonwealth, until the secretary of administration and finance or a designee has reviewed and provided written approval for such a settlement; provided further, that the office of the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the 5-year historical expenditure average as certified by the secretary of administration and finance or the current appropriation, whichever is greater; provided further, that the comptroller shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the amounts expended from this item, delineated by item; and provided further, that upon written notification to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means, uncommitted and unobligated funds from this item may be transferred to item 0612-0105 upon the request of the state treasurer..... $1,000,000

1599-4417 For the Edward J. Collins Jr. Center for Public Management in the John W. McCormack Graduate School of Policy and Global Studies at the University of Massachusetts at Boston..... $350,000

1599-6903 For the fiscal year 2026 costs of rate implementations under chapter 257 of the acts of 2008; provided, that rate implementations under said chapter 257 may include, but shall not be limited to, costs associated with any court order or settlement between providers of services and the commonwealth related to the rate implementation process; provided further, that preference in distributing funds from this item shall be given to personnel earning wages less than $20 per hour; provided further, that home care workers shall be eligible for funding from this item; provided further, that workers from shelters and programs that serve homeless individuals and families that were previously contracted through the department of transitional assistance and the department of public health who are currently contracted with the executive office of housing and livable communities and direct care workers that serve homeless veterans through the executive office of veterans' services shall be eligible for funding from this item; provided further, that no funds from this item shall be allocated to special education programs under chapter 71B of the General Laws, contracts for early education and care services or programs for which payment rates are negotiated and paid as class rates as established by the executive office of health and human services; provided further, that no funds shall be allocated from this item to contracts funded exclusively by federal grants as delineated in section 2D of this act; provided further, that the secretary of administration and finance may transfer from the sum appropriated in this item to other items of appropriation and allocations thereof for fiscal year 2026, amounts that are necessary to meet these costs where the amounts otherwise available are insufficient for the purpose of rate implementations; provided further, that the executive office for administration and finance shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means on transfers made from this item; provided further, that the report shall identify, by line item and service class, all transfers made from this item as of the date of the report and all transfers expected to be made before the end of the fiscal year; provided further, that not later than February 3, 2026, the executive office of health and human services shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the implementation of rates under chapter 257 of the acts of 2008, including, the: (i) state costs for rates promulgated as of July 1, 2025, by regulation, department and program; (ii) state costs for rates promulgated as of January 1, 2025, by regulation, department and program; (iii) per cent of increase in state funding for rates to be reviewed between July 1, 2025 and June 30, 2026, by regulation, department and program; and (iv) fiscal impact for increases in state funding versus prior fiscal year actual costs for rates to be reviewed between July 1, 2025 and June 30, 2026, by regulation, department and program; provided further, that contracts between providers and the departments within the executive office of health and human services and the executive office of elder affairs shall require providers to report on the impact of the rate implementations on employee salaries, employee-related costs and operations; provided further, that not later than April 1, 2026, the executive office of health and human services shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the implementation of ongoing and proposed initiatives that increase the hourly wages and compensation of the direct care human service workforce; provided

further, that this report shall include: (a) the average uniform financial report provider data on employee tax and fringe benefit information of the preceding 2 state fiscal years, as validated with information from the uniform financial report or a method determined by the executive office; (b) the median salary and compensation information of the preceding 2 state fiscal years classified by direct care and front-line staff, medical and clinical staff and management staff, as validated with information from the uniform financial report or a method determined by the executive office; and (c) a comparison of the median salary for each classification of staff position with the fiftieth percentile wage estimate for that position as determined by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics for the commonwealth using the available data for that rate review; and (d) the average employee vacancy rates of direct care and front-line staff of the preceding 2 state fiscal years and the current fiscal year from the date of new rate implementations; provided further, that not later than March 4, 2026, the executive office health and human services shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means a comparison of the median salary for each classification of staff position with the seventy-fifth percentile wage estimate for that position as determined by the Bureau of Labor Statistics for Massachusetts in the most recent available data; provided further, that not later than December 30, 2025, the executive office of health and human services shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means the methodology used to develop service rates for home health aides, personal care aides and homemakers; and provided further, that any human service provider receiving revenue under said chapter 257 shall use not less than 75 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 $207,000,000

Human Resources Division.

1750-0100 For the operation of the human resources division and the costs of administration, training and customer support related to the commonwealth's human resources and compensation management system and the human resource modernization initiative; provided, that any employee of the commonwealth who chooses to participate in a bone marrow donor program shall be granted a leave of absence without loss or reduction in pay to undergo the medical procedure and for associated physical recovery time, but such leave shall not exceed 5 days; provided further, that notwithstanding clause (n) of section 5 of chapter 31 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the secretary of administration and finance shall charge a fee of not less than $50 to be collected from each applicant for a civil service examination; provided further, that the division shall administer a program of state employee unemployment management including, but not limited to, agency training and assistance; provided further, that funds may be expended to revalidate civil service exams, including police and fire medical standards; provided further, that the division shall be responsible for the administration of examinations for state and municipal civil service titles, establishment of eligible lists, certification of eligible candidates to state and municipal appointing authorities and technical assistance in selection and appointment to

state and municipal appointing authorities; and provided further, that the division shall administer the statewide classification system including, but not limited to, maintaining a classification pay plan for civil service titles in accordance with generally accepted compensation standards and reviewing appeals for reclassification $12,988,535

1750-0103 For the operation of the training and career ladder program..... $833,075

1750-0104 For the human resources division, which may expend for the administration of the civil service examination program, examinations for non-civil service positions and implementation of the medical and physical fitness standards program $5,939,489

1750-0119 For payment of workers' compensation benefits to certain former employees of Middlesex and Worcester counties and the Hampshire council of government; provided, that the human resources division shall routinely recertify the former employees under current workers' compensation procedures $54,119

1750-0300 For the commonwealth's contributions in fiscal year 2026 to health and welfare funds established under certain collective bargaining agreements; provided, that the contributions shall be calculated as provided under the applicable collective bargaining agreements and shall be paid to the health and welfare trust funds on a monthly basis or on such other basis as the applicable collective bargaining agreement shall provide $38,957,530

1750-0928 For the cost to lease or rent space to administer the civil service physical abilities tests and to revalidate civil service exams, including police and fire medical standards..... $767,078

Operational Services Division.

1775-0115 For the operational services division, which may expend not more than $16,532,285 from revenues collected from the statewide contract administrative fee to procure, manage and administer statewide contracts; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the division may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system..... $16,532,285

1775-0124 For the operational services division, which may expend not more than $127,386 from revenues collected in the recovery of cost reimbursement and non-reimbursable overbilling and recoupment for health and human service agencies and as a result of administrative reviews as determined during the division's audits and reviews of providers under section 22N of chapter 7 of the General Laws; provided, that the division may only retain revenues collected in excess of $100,000; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the division may incur expenses

and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $127,386

1775-0600 For the operational services division, which may expend not more than $468,036 from revenues collected from the sale of state surplus personal property and the disposal of surplus motor vehicles including, but not limited to, state police vehicles from vehicle accident and damage claims and from manufacturer warranties, rebates and settlements for the payment, expenses and liabilities for the acquisition, warehousing, allocation and distribution of surplus property and the purchase of motor vehicles; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the division may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system, including the costs of personnel $468,036

1775-0700 For the operational services division, which may expend not more than $1,000,000 from revenues collected in addition to the amount authorized in item 1775-1000 of section 2B for printing, photocopying, mailing, related graphic art or design work and other reprographic goods and services provided to the general public, including all necessary or incidental expenses; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the division may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system..... $1,000,000

1775-0900 For the operational services division, which may expend not more than $22,000 from revenues collected under chapter 449 of the acts of 1984 and section 4L of chapter 7 of the General Laws, including the costs of personnel, from the sale of federal surplus property, including the payment, expenses and liabilities for the acquisition, warehousing, allocation and distribution of federal surplus property; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the division may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system..... $22,000

Supplier Diversity Office.

1780-0100 For the operation and administration of the supplier diversity office; provided, that the office shall provide training and other services to diverse businesses, as defined in section 58 of chapter 7 of the General Laws, certified by the office that allow those businesses to better compete for state contracts and ensure that equitable practices and policies in the public marketplace are maintained; provided further, that the office shall administer an electronic business certification application, which shall be accessible to business

applicants through the internet; provided further, that the office shall ensure the integrity and security of personal and financial information transmitted by electronic application; and provided further, that the office shall, using all existing available resources, provide certification services to all supplier diversity office qualified applicants within or outside of the commonwealth, as applicable $4,621,306

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF VETERANS' SERVICES.

Office of the Secretary.

1410-0010 For the operation of the executive office of veterans' services; provided, that the secretary of veterans' services may transfer funds between 1410-0010, 1410-0012, 1410-0015, 1410-0018, 1410-0024, 1410-0075, 1410-0251, 1410-0400, 1410-0630, 1410-1616 and 1410-1700; provided further, that funds may be transferred from said items to items 4180-0100, and 4190-0100; and provided further, that the secretary shall notify the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 30 days in advance of any such transfer $12,435,035

1410-0012 For services to veterans, including the maintenance and operation of outreach centers; provided, that said outreach centers shall provide counseling to incarcerated veterans and to Vietnam war era veterans who may have been exposed to agent orange and the families of such veterans; provided further, that said outreach centers shall provide services to veterans who were discharged after September 11, 2001 and the families of those veterans; provided further, that $2,000,000 shall be expended for clinical care, education and training in veterans' mental and behavioral health issues, including post-traumatic stress, traumatic brain injury, substance use disorder and suicide prevention administered by the Massachusetts General Hospital Home Base Program; provided further, that the executive office of veterans' services shall make a payment of not less than the amount appropriated for each outreach center funded by this item in fiscal year 2025; and provided further, that not later than March 27, 2026, the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing for each outreach center receiving funds under this item: (i) the number of veterans served annually; (ii) the cost and types of programs, including evidence-based or evidence-informed programs, offered to veterans; and (iii) a 5-year spending plan or outline that shall include a summary of the implementation or further development of evidence-based programs and program evaluation $9,528,474

1410-0015 For the women veterans' outreach program $728,882

1410-0018 For the executive office of veterans' services, which may expend not more than $760,000 for the maintenance and operation of veterans' cemeteries in the city known as the town of Agawam and the town of Winchendon from revenue collected from fees, grants, gifts and other contributions to the cemeteries; provided, that the funds appropriated in this item shall not revert to the General Fund but shall be made available for these purposes through June 30, 2026 ..... $760,000

1410-0024 For the training and certification of veterans' benefits and services officers; provided, that the secretary of veterans' services shall continue a training program for veterans' agents and directors of veterans' services in cities and towns; provided further, that the executive office of veterans' services shall provide such training in several locations across the commonwealth; and provided further, that training shall be provided annually and on an as needed basis to veterans' service organizations recognized by the executive office of veterans affairs to provide information and education regarding the benefits available under chapter 115 of the General Laws and all other benefits to which a veteran or a veteran's dependents may be entitled $388,738

1410-0075 For the train vets to treat vets program; provided, that the executive office of veterans' services shall work in conjunction with the William James College, Inc. to administer a behavioral health career development program for returning veterans $275,000

1410-0250 For veterans' homelessness services; provided, that the executive office of veterans' services shall expend not less than the amount appropriated for veterans' homelessness services funded by this item in fiscal year 2025 ..... $3,952,392

1410-0251 For the maintenance and operation of homeless shelters and transitional housing for veterans at the New England Center and Home for Veterans located in the city of Boston $3,843,750

1410-0400 For reimbursements to cities and towns for money expended for veterans' benefits and for payments to certain veterans under section 6 of chapter 115 of the General Laws and for the payment of annuities to certain disabled veterans and the parents and un-remarried spouses of certain deceased veterans, including deceased veterans who were residents of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, located in the city of Chelsea, and the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke whose death occurred due to the 2019 novel coronavirus; provided, that annuity payments made under this item shall be made under sections 6A, 6B and 6C of said chapter 115; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, 100 per cent of the amounts of veterans' benefits paid by cities and towns to residents of a soldiers' home, homeless shelter or transitional housing facility shall be paid by the commonwealth to said cities and towns; provided further, that under section 9 of said chapter 115, the executive office of veterans' services shall reimburse cities and towns for the cost of United States flags placed on the graves of veterans on Memorial Day; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the executive office shall continue a training program for veterans' agents and directors of veterans' services in cities and towns; provided further, that the executive office shall provide such training in several locations across the commonwealth; provided further, that such training shall be provided annually and on an as needed basis to veterans' service organizations to provide information and education regarding the benefits available under said chapter 115 and all other benefits to which a veteran or a veteran's dependents may be entitled; provided further, that any person applying for veterans' benefits to pay for services available under chapter 118E of the General Laws shall also apply for medical assistance under said chapter 118E to minimize

costs to the commonwealth and its municipalities; provided further, that veterans' agents shall complete applications authorized by the executive office under said chapter 118E for a veteran, surviving spouse or dependent applying for medical assistance under said chapter 115; provided further, that the veterans' agent shall file the application for the veteran, surviving spouse or dependent for assistance under said chapter 118E; provided further, that the executive office of health and human services shall act on all chapter 118E applications and advise the applicant and the veterans' agent of the applicant's eligibility for said chapter 118E healthcare; provided further, that the veterans' agent shall advise the applicant of the right to assistance for medical benefits under said chapter 115 pending approval of the application for assistance under said chapter 118E by the executive office of health and human services; provided further, that the secretary of veterans' services may supplement health care under said chapter 118E with health care coverage under said chapter 115 if the secretary determines that supplemental coverage is necessary to afford the veteran, surviving spouse or dependent sufficient relief and support; provided further, that payments to, or on behalf of, a veteran, surviving spouse or dependent under said chapter 115 shall not be considered income for determining eligibility under said chapter 118E; and provided further, that benefits awarded under said section 6B of said chapter 115 shall be considered countable income $81,806,000

1410-0630 For the administration of the veterans' cemeteries in the city known as the town of Agawam and the town of Winchendon $1,509,770

1410-1616 For war memorials $100,000

1410-1700 For the provision of information technology services within the executive office of veterans' services $4,004,167

Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

4180-0100 For the maintenance and operation of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, located in the city of Chelsea, including a specialized unit for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease patients; provided, that no fee, assessment or other charge shall be imposed upon or required of any person for any admission or hospitalization which exceeds the amount of fees charged in fiscal year 2025 ..... $46,525,514

Soldiers' Home in Holyoke.

4190-0100 For the maintenance and operation of the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke; provided, that no fee, assessment or other charge shall be imposed upon or required of any person for any outpatient treatment, admission or hospitalization that exceeds the amount of fees charge in fiscal year 2025; and provided further, that funds shall be expended for the operation of an ombudsman's office at the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke to act as an independent, impartial and confidential resource for the community $31,105,778

4190-0103 For the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke, which may expend for its operation not more than $50,000 from the sale of goods to residents and visitors of the home $50,000

4190-0300 For the Soldiers' Home in Holyoke, which may expend not more than $2,139,643 for the operation of 12 long-term care beds from revenue generated through the occupancy of these beds; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the Soldiers' Home may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system, prior appropriation continued $2,139,643

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY SERVICES AND SECURITY.

1790-0100 For the operation of the executive office of technology services and security; provided, that the executive office shall continue a chargeback system for its information technology services; provided further, that the state comptroller shall establish accounts and procedures as the comptroller deems appropriate and necessary to assist in accomplishing the purposes of this item; provided further, that the executive office may establish rules and procedures necessary to implement this item; provided further, that the chief information officer shall review and approve any planned information technology development project or purchase by any agency under the authority of the governor for which the total projected cost exceeds $200,000, including the cost of any related hardware, software or consulting fees and regardless of fiscal year or source of funds, before the agency may obligate funds for the project or purchase; provided further, that not later than June 30, 2026, the secretary of technology services and security shall submit to the state auditor, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on state administration and regulatory oversight a complete accounting of and justification for all project-related expenditures totaling $250,000 or more over the previous 12-month period regardless of source of funds or authorization for such expenditure; and provided further, that not later than February 17, 2026, the executive office shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance, the state auditor and the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) financial statements detailing savings and, where applicable, additional expenses realized from the consolidation of information technology services within each executive office and other initiatives; (ii) efforts being taken to ensure the compatibility and interoperability of agency systems and to consolidate relevant data between agencies; (iii) the number of personnel assigned to information technology services within each executive office; (iv) efficiencies that have been achieved from the sharing of resources; (v) the status of the centralization of the commonwealth's information technology staffing, infrastructure and network and cloud hosting; (vi) the status of the commonwealth's cybersecurity; and (vii) strategies and initiatives to further improve the: (a) efficiency and security of the commonwealth's information technology; and (b) transparency of the executive office of technology services and security with the general court, other executive branch agencies and the general public $3,675,818

1790-0300 For the executive office of technology services and security, which may expend not more than $2,733,931 in revenues collected from the provision of computer resources and services to the general public for the costs of the bureau of computer services, including the purchase, lease or rental of telecommunications lines, services and equipment; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the executive office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $2,733,931

1790-1700 For core technology services and security, including those previously funded through item 1790-0200 in prior fiscal years..... $55,798,206

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Office of the Secretary.

2000-0100 For the operation of the office of the secretary of energy and environmental affairs, including the water resources commission, the hazardous waste facility site safety council, the coastal zone management program and environmental impact reviews conducted under chapter 30 of the General Laws; provided, that efforts shall be made to prioritize environmental justice across all departments..... $18,847,510

2000-0101 For the executive office of energy and environmental affairs to coordinate and implement strategies for climate change adaptation and preparedness including, but not limited to: (i) the resiliency of the commonwealth's transportation, energy and public health infrastructures; (ii) built environments; (iii) municipal assistance; (iv) improved data collection and analysis; (v) enhanced planning; and (vi) improved resiliency through the strengthening and revitalization of natural resources, including marshes and other wetlands; provided, that the executive office may enter into interagency service agreements to facilitate and accomplish these efforts; provided further, that not later than February 5, 2026 the executive office of energy and environmental affairs shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (a) the commonwealth's multi-year plan for developing a climate change resiliency plan and response strategy; (b) plans to support local partners in climate change adaptation and resiliency; (c) an analysis of the differing effects of climate change in different geographic, ecological, and coastal regions of the state, including urban, suburban and rural homes; (d) a review of the environmental justice impacts of climate change on communities of color; and (e) a detailed breakdown of all expenditures made under this item; and provided further, that not later than December 30, 2025 the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means, the house and senate committees on global warming and climate change, the joint committee on transportation and the joint committee on telecommunications, utilities and energy that shall include the status of its efforts to enhance port infrastructure for the development of offshore wind $5,127,889

2000-0102	For the executive office of energy and environmental affairs to implement an environmental justice strategy and promote and secure environmental justice; provided, that funds shall be expended on language translation services to ensure adequate access during public comment periods; and provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026 the executive 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 number of full-time equivalent positions assigned to the executive office's environmental justice staff; (ii) the responsibilities held by the executive office's environmental justice staff; (iii) the status of environmental justice policies, strategies and initiatives being pursued for both the current and coming fiscal years; (iv) the efforts to expand language access through verbal and written materials, including the languages in which policy and materials have been translated; and (v) the impact of language access initiatives on participation in public hearings and public comment periods	$8,292,156
2000-0120	For obligations of the commonwealth to neighboring states incurred pursuant to interstate compacts for flood control	$506,140
2000-0125	For the purposes of dam safety technical assistance program for public and private dam owners; provided, that the program will support compliance with existing dam safety requirements	$1,000,162
2000-1011	For the office of environmental law enforcement, which may expend not more than $40,000 from the administrative handling charge revenues received from electronic transactions processed through its online licensing and registration systems; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system	$40,000
2000-1700	For the operation of information technology services within the executive office of energy and environmental affairs	$23,608,139
2030-1000	For the operation of the office of environmental law enforcement; provided, that environmental police officers shall provide monitoring under the National Shellfish Sanitation Program	$16,875,354
2030-1004	For environmental police private details; provided, that the office of environmental law enforcement may expend not more than $650,000 from revenues collected from the fees charged for private details; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system	$650,000

Department of Public Utilities.

2100-0012	For the operation of the department of public utilities; provided, that notwithstanding the second sentence of the first paragraph of section 18 of chapter 25 of the General Laws, the assessments levied for fiscal year 2026 under said first paragraph of said section 18 of said chapter 25 shall be made at a rate sufficient to produce the amount expended from this item and the associated fringe benefit costs for personnel paid from this item	$18,817,625
2100-0013	For the operation of the transportation oversight division	$1,052,617
2100-0016	For the department of public utilities to regulate steam distribution companies; provided, that notwithstanding section 18A of chapter 25 of the General Laws, the assessments levied for fiscal year 2026 shall be made at a rate sufficient to produce the amount expended from this item and the associated fringe benefit costs for personnel paid from this item	$462,184
2100-0017	For the operation of the division of transportation network services; provided, that the amount assessed under section 23 of chapter 25 of the General Laws shall be made at a rate sufficient to produce the amount expended from this item and the associated fringe benefit costs for personnel paid from this item	$4,282,870
2100-5694	For the operation of the energy facilities siting division; provided, that funds shall be expended for the implementation of section 12N of chapter 25 of the General Laws, including the maintenance of a real-time, online, clean energy infrastructure dashboard, and the creation thereof	$4,000,000

Department of Environmental Protection.

2200-0100	For the operation of the department of environmental protection, including the environmental strike force, the bureau of planning and evaluation, the bureau of resource protection, the bureau of waste prevention, the Senator William X. Wall Experiment Station and a contract with the University of Massachusetts for environmental research; provided, that section 3B of chapter 7 of the General Laws shall not apply to fees established in section 18 of chapter 21A of the General Laws; and provided further, that not later than February 5, 2026 the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (i) the status of hiring of additional staff; (ii) the staffing levels of the department for the last 10 fiscal years; (iii) the number of enforcement actions for serious violations and fine collections compared to the previous 10 fiscal years; and (iv) recommendations for the additional resources needed to fulfill the department's enforcement responsibilities	$54,120,855
2200-0102	For the department of environmental protection, which may expend not more than $650,150 in revenues collected from fees for wetland permits; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system	$650,150

2200-0107 For technical assistance, grants and support of efforts consistent with the Massachusetts Recycling and Solid Waste Master Plan and the Massachusetts Climate Protection Plan; provided, that funds may be expended for a recycling industries reimbursement grant program, under subsection (b) of section 241A of chapter 43 of the acts of 1997 ..... $488,748

2200-0109 For the department of environmental protection for the sole purpose of ensuring sufficient staff for timely permit decisions and compliance assurance $2,485,550

2200-0112 For the department of environmental protection, which may expend not more than $2,500,000 in revenues collected from permit and compliance fees for the sole purpose of ensuring sufficient staff for timely permit decisions and compliance assurance; provided, that if this item is eliminated or reduced in fiscal year 2026 or operational funding for the department falls below the level authorized in the general appropriations act for fiscal year 2015, excluding appropriations for earmarks and nonrecurring operating costs, the fee increase supporting this item shall terminate; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $2,500,000

2210-0106 For the department of environmental protection, which may expend for the administration and implementation of the Massachusetts Toxics Use Reduction Act, under chapter 21I of the General Laws, not more than $2,935,668 in revenues collected from fees, penalties, grants and tuition under said chapter 21I; provided, that not less than $1,629,860 from this item shall be made available for the operation of the Toxics Use Reduction Institute program at the University of Massachusetts at Lowell; provided further, that the department shall enter into an interagency service agreement with the University of Massachusetts to make such funding available for this purpose; provided further, that not less than $644,096 from this item shall be made available for toxics use reduction technical assistance and technology under said chapter 21I; provided further, that the department shall enter into an interagency service agreement with the executive office of energy and environmental affairs to make such funding available for this purpose; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $2,935,668

2220-2220 For the administration and implementation of the Clean Air Act under 42 U.S.C. section 7401 et seq., including the operating permit program, the emissions banking program, the auto-related state implementation program, the low emission vehicle program, the non-auto-related state implementation program and the commonwealth's

commitments under the New England Governors and Eastern Canadian Premiers Regional Climate Change Action Plan for reducing acid rain deposition and mercury emissions $827,446

2220-2221 For the administration and implementation of the operating permit and compliance program required under the Clean Air Act under 42 U.S.C. section 7401 et seq $1,493,314

2250-2000 For the administration and implementation of the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974 under section 18A of chapter 21A of the General Laws; provided, that the department of environmental protection may expend funds for the study and remediation of lead in public school drinking water $2,459,359

2260-8870 For the expenses of the hazardous waste cleanup and underground storage tank programs including, but not limited to, monitoring unlined landfills, notwithstanding section 4 of chapter 21J of the General Laws; provided, that the department of environmental protection shall provide the department of revenue with information necessary for the completion of the report required in item 1232-0200 including, but not limited to, the number of tanks out of compliance with said chapter 21J $15,615,845

2260-8872 For the brownfields site audit program $1,309,188

2260-8881 For the operation of the board of registration of hazardous waste site cleanup professionals, notwithstanding section 19A of chapter 21A of the General Laws $394,154

Department of Fish and Game.

2300-0100 For the office of the commissioner of fish and game; provided, that the commissioner's office shall assess and receive payments from the division of marine fisheries, the division of fisheries and wildlife, the office of fishing and boating access, the division of ecological restoration, the riverways program and all other programs under the control of the department of fish and game; provided further, that those assessments shall be used to cover appropriate administrative costs of the department including, but not limited to, payroll, personnel, legal and budgetary costs; and provided further, that the amount and contribution from each division or program shall be determined by the commissioner $2,181,542

2300-0101 For the division of ecological restoration and the riverways program and for the promotion of public access to rivers and wetland restoration, including grants to public and nonpublic entities $5,033,523

2300-0102 For a culverts and small bridges technical assistance program; provided, that the program will support improvements to culverts and small bridges for the purpose of public safety, climate change resilience, and ecosystem restoration $2,772,000

2310-0200 For the administration of the division of fisheries and wildlife, including expenses of the fisheries and wildlife board, the administration of game farms and wildlife restoration projects, wildlife research and management, the administration of fish hatcheries, the improvement

and management of lakes, ponds and rivers, fish and wildlife restoration projects, the commonwealth's share of certain cooperative fisheries and wildlife programs and for certain programs reimbursable under the Aid to Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act; provided, that the division may expend the amount necessary to restore anadromous fish in the Connecticut and Merrimack river systems; and provided further, that no funds shall be spent on restoration of catadromous fish in the Connecticut and Merrimack river systems unless considered necessary by the division $18,338,495

George L. Darey Inland Fisheries and Game Fund..100%

2310-0300 For the operation of the natural heritage and endangered species program $1,585,987

2310-0306 For the hunter safety training program $571,463

George L. Darey Inland Fisheries and Game Fund..100%

2310-0316 For the purchase of land containing wildlife habitats and for the costs of the division of fisheries and wildlife directly related to the administration of the wildlands stamp program under sections 2A and 2C of chapter 131 of the General Laws..... $1,500,000

George L. Darey Inland Fisheries and Game Fund..100%

2310-0317 For the waterfowl management program established in section 11 of chapter 131 of the General Laws $65,000

George L. Darey Inland Fisheries and Game Fund..100%

2320-0100 For the administration of the office of fishing and boating access, including the maintenance, operation and improvement of public access land and water areas; provided, that positions funded by this item shall not be subject to chapter 31 of the General Laws $973,975

2330-0100 For the operation of the division of marine fisheries; provided, that the division may expend funds for the Annisquam river marine research laboratory, marine research programs, a commercial fisheries program, a shellfish management program, including coastal area classification, mapping and technical assistance, the operation of the Newburyport shellfish purification plant and a shellfish classification program; provided further, that funds shall be expended on a recreational fisheries program to be reimbursed by federal funds; provided further, that the division shall continue to develop strategies to improve federal regulations governing the commercial fishing industry and to promote sustainable fisheries; provided further, that the division shall expend an amount not less than the amount expended in the prior fiscal year for the operation of the Newburyport shellfish purification plant; provided further, that the division shall offer wet storage and de-sanding services at the Newburyport shellfish purification plant as laid out in the report dated March 1, 2012; provided further, that for functions not being performed by the plant prior to July 1, 2012, the division may solicit competitive proposals for the utilization of excess processing capacity at the Newburyport shellfish purification plant, which may include proposals to offer wet

storage and de-sanding services at the plant as described in the shellfish purification plant management plan dated March 1, 2012; provided further, that the division shall be under no obligation to consider or implement any proposal that the division determines would displace, impede or otherwise hinder the existing functions of the plant; provided further, that the division may enter into contracts based on proposals received; provided further, that not less than 60 days before entering into contracts, the division shall notify the house and senate committees on ways and means; and provided further, funds shall be expended for a program of collaborative research by the division of marine fisheries through the Marine Fisheries Institute, in collaboration with the School for Marine Science and Technology at the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth, that applies innovative technology to assess the biomass of fish in the region managed by the New England Fishery Management Council $9,364,804

2330-0120 For the division of marine fisheries for a program to enhance and develop marine recreational fishing and related programs and activities, including the cost of equipment, maintenance and staff and the maintenance and updating of data $1,039,977

2330-0121 For the division of marine fisheries to utilize reimbursable federal sportfish restoration funds to further develop marine recreational fishing and related programs, including the costs of activities that increase public access for marine recreational fishing, support research on artificial reefs and otherwise provide for the development of marine recreational fishing; provided, that the division may expend not more than $217,989 in revenues collected from Sport Fish Restoration Program funds and from the sale of materials which promote marine recreational fishing; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the division may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $217,989

2330-0199 For conducting surveys to monitor and forecast the number of commercially important invertebrate species in commonwealth waters, including ventless lobster traps employing the services of contracted commercial lobster fishing vessels in the commonwealth; provided, that the division of marine fisheries may expend not more than $250,000 in revenues collected from fees generated by the sale of lobster permits; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the division may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system..... $250,000

2330-0300 For the administration and operation of the recreational saltwater fishing permit program under section 17C of chapter 130 of the General Laws $2,266,149

Marine Recreational Fisheries Development Fund..100%

Department of Agricultural Resources.

2511-0100 For the operation of the department of agricultural resources, including the division of administration, the integrated pest management program, the board of agriculture, the division of agricultural markets, the division of animal health, the division of agricultural conservation and technical assistance, the division of crop and pest services, including a program of laboratory services at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, the expenses of the pesticide board and agency costs associated with the administration of other boards, commissions and committees chaired by the department; provided, that not less than $120,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Farm to School Project, LLC; provided further, that not less than $100,000 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 $500,000 shall be expended to enhance the Buy Local effort in western, central, northeastern and southeastern Massachusetts; and provided further, that any buy local effort included in this item shall include locally harvested seafood including, but not limited to, fish and shellfish $10,977,101

2511-0103 For the costs associated with agricultural oversight of hemp and cannabis $1,000,000

Marijuana Regulation Fund.....100%

2511-0105 For the purchase of supplemental foods for the emergency food assistance program within the Feeding America nationally certified food bank system; provided, that funds appropriated in this item shall reflect the Feeding America allocation formula in order to benefit the commonwealth's 4 regional food banks; provided further, that the department of agricultural resources may assess an administrative charge not to exceed 2 per cent of the total appropriation in this item; provided further, that not less than $1,250,000 shall be expended to the commonwealth's 4 regional food banks for operating funds to distribute food for the Massachusetts emergency food assistance program; provided further, that not less than $500,000 shall be expended to the Women's Lunch Place, Inc. to provide nutritious food and individualized services for women who are experiencing homelessness or poverty; and provided further, that the department of agricultural resources may assess an administrative charge not to exceed 2 per cent of the total appropriation in this item..... $55,000,000

2511-0107 For the advancement of community food security and the protection of public access to sufficient, safe and nutritious food $100,000

2511-3002 For the integrated pest management program..... $84,413

Department of Conservation and Recreation.

2800-0100 For the operation of the department of conservation and recreation; provided, that notwithstanding section 3B of chapter 7 of the General Laws, the department shall establish or renegotiate fees, licenses, permits, rents and leases and adjust or develop other revenue sources

to fund the maintenance, operation and administration of the department $7,071,194

2800-0101 For the watershed management program to operate and maintain reservoirs, watershed lands and related infrastructure of the department of conservation and recreation and the office of water resources in the department; provided, that the amount of the payment shall be charged to the General Fund and shall not be included in the amount of the annual determination of fiscal year charges to the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority assessed to the authority under the General Laws; provided further, that the department shall continue to make payments under chapter 616 of the acts of 1957, as amended by section 89 of chapter 801 of the acts of 1963; and provided further, that the department shall continue to make payments under chapter 307 of the acts of 1987 for the use of certain land $1,677,752

2800-0401 For a program to provide stormwater management for all properties and roadways under the care, custody and control of the department of conservation and recreation; provided, that the department shall implement a stormwater management program in compliance with federal and state stormwater management requirements; provided further, that the department shall inventory all stormwater infrastructure, assess its stormwater practices, analyze long-term capital and operational needs and develop a stormwater management plan to comply with federal and state regulatory requirements; and provided further, that in order to protect public safety and to protect water resources for water supply, recreational and ecosystem uses, the department shall immediately implement interim stormwater management practices including, but not limited to, street sweeping, inspection and cleaning of catch basins and emergency repairs to roadway drainage $3,388,959

2800-0500 For the existing maintenance, operational and infrastructure needs of the metropolitan beaches as determined by the commission established under section 70 of chapter 3 of the General Laws; provided, that not less than $900,000 shall be expended for the metropolitan beaches in the cities of Lynn, Revere and Quincy, the towns of Nahant and Hull, the city known as the town of Winthrop and the East Boston, South Boston and Dorchester sections of the city of Boston to be fully maintained and seasonally staffed as recommended by the metropolitan beaches commission in coordination with the department of conservation and recreation; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for Save the Harbor, Save the Bay, Inc.'s staff time, consultants and direct expenses to support the ongoing work of the commission on the future of metropolitan beaches; and provided further, that not less than $190,000 shall be expended for matching grants to public and nonpublic entities to support free public events and programs on the metropolitan beaches as part of Save the Harbor, Save the Bay, Inc.'s Better Beaches Grants Program as recommended by the metropolitan beaches commission $1,255,231

2800-0501 For the operation of the beaches, pools and spray pools under the control of the department of conservation and recreation; provided, that the seasonal hires of the department's parks, beaches, pools and spray pools shall be paid from this item; provided further, that said

beaches, pools and spray pools shall remain open and staffed from Memorial Day to Labor Day, inclusive; provided further, that said beaches, pools and spray pools shall be fully maintained; provided further, that seasonal employees who are hired before the second Sunday preceding Memorial Day, whose employment continues beyond the Saturday following Labor Day and who received health insurance benefits in fiscal year 2025, shall continue to receive such benefits in fiscal year 2026 during the period of said employees' seasonal employment; provided further, that notwithstanding section 1 of chapter 31 of the General Laws, seasonal positions funded by this item shall be positions requiring the services of an incumbent, on either a full-time or less than full-time basis, beginning not earlier than April 1 and ending not later than November 30 or beginning not earlier than September 1 and ending not later than April 30; and provided further, that notwithstanding said section 1 of said chapter 31, seasonal positions funded by this item shall not be filled by an incumbent for more than 8 months within a 12-month period $29,286,761

2800-0700 For the office of dam safety; provided, that the office shall, in collaboration with the department of environmental protection and the department of fish and game, establish and maintain a comprehensive inventory of all dams and develop a coordinated permitting and regulatory approach to dam removal for stream restoration and public safety $752,377

2810-0100 For the operation of the division of state parks and recreation; provided, that funds appropriated in this item shall be used to: (i) operate all of the division's parks, parkways, boulevards, roadways, bridges and related appurtenances under the care, custody and control of the division, flood control activities of the division, reservations, campgrounds, beaches and pools; (ii) oversee skating rinks; and (iii) protect and manage the division's lands and natural resources, including the forest and parks conservation services and the bureau of forestry development; provided further, that all properties that were open in fiscal year 2025 shall be open in fiscal year 2026; provided further, that the crossing guards located at department of conservation and recreation intersections shall continue to perform the duties where state police previously performed such duties; provided further, that the division may issue grants to public and nonpublic entities from this item; provided further, that up to $3,000,000 may be used to support the costs of snow and ice removal; provided further, that the rinks under the control of the department shall remain open and staffed for the full rink season and that ice skating shall be available from September 1 through April 15 of the following year; provided further, that local youth programs and nonprofits get first preference in scheduling on all playfields and hockey rinks operated by the department; provided further, that additional funds shall be expended to address the needs of state parks in all regions of the commonwealth; provided further, that not later than February 3, 2026 the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on: (A) the status of hiring for additional staffing; (B) the staffing levels for the previous 10 fiscal years; and (C) the average staffing level at each park; provided further, that the department shall take steps to address personnel needs in a manner that is geographically equitable; and provided further, that not later than January 13, 2026, the department

shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the hires made for division personnel in fiscal year 2026 ..... $112,263,141

2810-0122 For special projects relating to the commonwealth's state parks and recreational areas $100,000

2820-0101 For the costs associated with the department of conservation and recreation's park rangers specific to the security of the state house; provided, that funds appropriated in this item shall only be expended for the costs of security and park rangers at the state house $3,022,821

2820-2000 For the operation of street lighting and the expenses of maintaining the parkways of the department of conservation and recreation $4,624,670

Department of Energy Resources.

7006-1001 For the Massachusetts residential conservation service program under chapter 465 of the acts of 1980 and the Massachusetts commercial and apartment conservation service program under section 11A of chapter 25A of the General Laws; provided, that the assessments levied for fiscal year 2026 under said chapter 465 shall be made at a rate sufficient to produce the amount expended from this item and the associated fringe benefit costs for personnel paid from this item $268,957

7006-1003 For the operation of the department of energy resources; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the amount assessed under section 11H of chapter 25A of the General Laws shall be made at a rate sufficient to produce the amount expended from this item and the associated fringe benefit costs for personnel paid from this item..... $6,992,304

7006-1006 For costs associated with the implementation of chapter 239 of the acts of 2024 ..... $1,000,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF EDUCATION.

Department of Early Education and Care.

3000-1000 For the administration of the department of early education and care; provided, that the department shall report on the first business day of each month to the joint committee on education, the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the executive office for administration and finance on the unduplicated number of children on waiting lists for state-subsidized early education and care programs and services, including supportive child care services; provided further, that notwithstanding chapter 66A of the General Laws, the department of early education and care, the child care resource and referral agencies, the department of elementary and secondary education, the department of transitional assistance, the department of children and families, the executive office of housing and livable communities, the Children's Trust Fund, established in section 50 of chapter 10 of the General Laws, the disabled persons protection

commission, the district attorneys' offices and the early intervention program within the department of public health may share with each other personal data regarding the parents and children who receive services provided under early education and care programs administered by the commonwealth for investigations, waitlist management, program implementation and evaluation, reporting and policy development purposes; provided further, that not less than $7,500,000 shall be expended for an early education and care educator scholarship program established in section 19F of chapter 15A of the General Laws; provided further, that the department shall issue monthly reports detailing the number and average cost of voucher and contracted slots funded by the department for items 3000-3060 and 3000-4060 delineated by age category; provided further, that said reports shall include the number of recipients subject to subsection (f) of section 110 of chapter 5 of the acts of 1995; provided further, that the department of early education and care shall provide the caseload forecasting office and the house and senate committees on ways and means with enrollment data and any other information pertinent to caseload forecasting that is requested by the office on a monthly basis; provided further, that the information shall be provided in a manner that meets all applicable federal and state privacy and security requirements; and provided further, that the commissioner of early education and care may transfer funds between items 3000-3060 and 3000-4060, as necessary, for this purpose, under an allocation plan that shall detail, by object class, the distribution of the funds to be transferred and which shall be submitted to the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 30 days before any such transfer $13,551,428

3000-1020 For early education and care quality supports to improve and sustain educational quality among providers of early education and care and to assist early educators and providers in attaining higher levels of proficiency, skill and quality; provided, that funding may be used to incentivize public-private partnerships to implement reforms that lead to student success; provided further, that such partnerships' funding shall be administered in coordination with the department of elementary and secondary education, and preference shall be given to partnerships serving high percentages of high-needs students; provided further, that supports funded through this item shall include, but not be limited to, program quality improvements related to meeting the Massachusetts Quality Rating and Improvement System standards; provided further, that costs related to department of early education and care personnel who support quality improvement may be funded from this item, including the department's licensing staff and other personnel who ensure compliance with state and federal requirements for inspections, monitoring and training; provided further, that funds from this item may support the Massachusetts universal pre-kindergarten program, inclusive learning environment grants and early childhood mental health consultation services; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any payment made under any such grant to a school district shall be deposited with the treasurer of the city, town or regional school district and held as a separate account and shall be expended by the school committee of such city, town or regional school district without municipal appropriation; and provided further, that supports funded through this item may include, but not be limited to, the

development and purchasing of curriculum, the development and implementation of early childhood assessment systems, incentives for programs to recruit, develop and retain highly qualified educators, payment of fees and direct assistance to programs seeking accreditation by agencies approved by the board of early education and care and professional development courses $46,903,765

3000-1045 For operational grants to child care providers; provided, that for fiscal year 2026 funds shall be distributed in accordance with the formula established in section 20 of chapter 15D of the General Laws; provided further, that funds from this line item shall be expended in coordination with funds from line item 1596-2410; provided further, that the department shall collect data from participating programs, including, but not limited to: (i) the number of enrolled children; (ii) the number of educators employed; (iii) efforts to recruit and retain employees; (iv) any available demographic data of the families served by participating providers; (v) to the extent feasible, the income level of the families served by participating providers; (vi) the amount awarded to each provider; and (vii) the amount of operational grants spent by provider, delineated by category of spending including, but not limited to: (A) salaries; (B) other compensation; (C) workforce training; and (D) facilities improvements; provided further, that programs shall respond to all data collection requests and surveys from the department to be eligible for said grants; 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 $115,000,000

Early Education and Care Operational Grant Fund . 100%

3000-2000 For the regional administration and coordination of services provided by child care resource and referral agencies..... $20,000,000

3000-2050 For the administration of the Children's Trust Fund established in section 50 of chapter 10 of the General Laws; provided, that the department of early education and care shall not exercise any supervision or control with respect to the board of the trust fund; provided further, that core services shall include, but not be limited to, home visiting, social and behavioral health services, substance use treatment and parental resiliency programs; provided further, that the pilot program shall support the coordination of services and referrals using existing resources; and provided further, that not later than December 30, 2025, the Children's Trust Fund shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities on the progress of the pilot program and the mobilization of services at the family centers $1,797,197

3000-2060 For evidence-based, adult-focused child sexual abuse prevention initiatives that provide technical assistance to communities, youth-serving organizations and schools to: (i) organize local coalitions dedicated to preventing child sexual abuse; (ii) recruit, train and certify local volunteers to provide free prevention education for parents, students and professionals; and (iii) strengthen the core standards

around the screening of prospective employees, the development of codes of conduct, the assessment and modification of physical spaces to reduce opportunities for sexual abuse, the responding to and reporting of boundary-violating behaviors and suspected acts of sexual abuse and the training of staff and volunteers on ways to prevent adult perpetration and child-on-child sexual abuse $2,293,184

3000-3060 For early education and care services for children with active cases at the department of children and families, for families currently involved with, or transitioning from, transitional aid to families with dependent children and for families participating in education and training services funded by the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; provided, that providers shall be reimbursed for subsidized child care services funded under this item based on enrollment; provided further, that the department of early education and care, in collaboration with the department of children and families, shall maintain a centralized list detailing the number of children eligible for services under this item, the number of supportive slots filled and the number of supportive slots available; provided further, that for children with active cases at the department of children and families, funds may be used to provide services during a transition period of at least 12 months upon the closure of the family's case with the department of children and families; provided further, that in the case of families involved with transitional aid to families with dependent children, early education and care shall be available to: (i) recipients of transitional aid to families with dependent children benefits; (ii) former recipients who are working for up to 1 year after termination of their benefits; (iii) participants who are working for up to 1 year after the transitional period; and (iv) parents who are under 18 years of age who are currently enrolled in a job training program and who would qualify for benefits under chapter 118 of the General Laws but for the consideration of the grandparents' income; provided further, that all teens eligible for year-round, full-time early education and care services shall be participating in school, education, work and training-related activities or a combination thereof for at least the minimum number of hours required by regulations; provided further, that recipients of transitional aid to families with dependent children shall not be charged fees for care provided under this item; provided further, that early education and care services for families involved with transitional aid to families with dependent children funded from this item shall be distributed geographically in a manner that provides fair and adequate access to early education and care for all eligible individuals; provided further, that informal early education and care benefits for families involved with transitional aid to families with dependent children may be funded from this item; provided further, that the commissioner of early education and care may transfer funds to this item from items 3000-1000 and 3000-4060, as necessary, under an allocation plan, which shall detail by object class the distribution of the funds to be transferred and which the commissioner shall submit to the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 30 days prior to the transfer; provided further, that not later than April 16, 2026, the commissioner shall submit a preliminary report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the executive office for administration and finance on the projected expenses for the program that shall include, but not be limited to, the expected surplus or deficiency for the program; provided further, that

if the department determines that the available appropriation for this program will be insufficient to meet projected expenses, the commissioner shall file a report with the house and senate committees on ways and means and the executive office for administration and finance, not later than June 30, 2026, detailing the amount of appropriation needed to address such deficiency; provided further, that reimbursements for services rendered in prior fiscal years may be expended from this item; provided further, that the department of early education and care shall recoup funds owed by providers related to payments made by the department in prior fiscal years by reducing payments to those providers for services related to this item rendered in fiscal year 2026; and provided further, that all children eligible for services under this item shall receive such services..... $448,211,115

3000-4060 For income-eligible early education and care programs; provided, that providers shall be reimbursed for subsidized child care services funded under this item based on enrollment; provided further, that teen parents and homeless families identified as likely to become eligible for transitional aid to families with dependent children may be paid from this item; provided further, that informal early education and care benefits for families meeting income-eligibility criteria may be funded from this item; provided further, that early education and care services funded under this item shall be distributed geographically in a manner that provides fair and adequate access to early education and care for all eligible individuals; provided further, that reimbursements to providers for services rendered in prior fiscal years may be expended from this item; provided further, that the department shall recoup funds owed by providers related to payments made by the department in prior fiscal years by reducing payments for services related to this item rendered in fiscal year 2026; provided further, that the commissioner of early education and care may transfer funds to this item from items 3000-1000 and 3000-3060, as necessary, pursuant to an allocation plan, which shall detail, by object class, the distribution of the funds to be transferred and which the commissioner shall submit to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the executive office for administration and finance not less than 30 days prior to the transfer; provided further, that not more than 3 per cent of the funds appropriated in this item may be transferred in fiscal year 2026 as set forth in a plan submitted by the department of early education and care; provided further, that said plan shall be submitted to the joint committee on education, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the executive office for administration and finance; provided further, that not later than April 15, 2026, the commissioner shall submit a preliminary report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the executive office for administration and finance on the projected expenses for the program that shall include, but not be limited to, the expected surplus or deficiency for the program; provided further, that not later than June 30, 2026, if the department determines that the available appropriation for this program will be insufficient to meet projected expenses, the commissioner shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the executive office for administration and finance detailing the amount of appropriation needed to address such deficiency; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any payment made under any such grant with a school district shall be

deposited with the treasurer of the city, town or regional school district and held as a separate account and shall be expended by the school committee of such city, town or regional school district without municipal appropriation $517,637,865

3000-5000 For grants to head start programs; provided, that funds from this item may be expended on early head start programs $18,500,000

3000-6025 For grants in fiscal year 2026 to support planning and implementation activities in cities, towns, regional school districts or educational collaboratives to expand pre-kindergarten or preschool opportunities on a voluntary basis to children who will be eligible for kindergarten by September 2027; provided, that planning and implementation grants may be awarded through a competitive process established by the department of early education and care utilizing the Massachusetts Preschool Expansion Grant public-private partnership model; provided further, that preference in awarding grants shall be given to districts serving high percentages of high-needs students; provided further, that additional preference in awarding planning grants may be given to districts to update strategic expansion plans completed in prior fiscal years; provided further, that additional preference in awarding implementation grants shall be given to districts that have completed strategic planning efforts that support expanding access to high-quality preschool through the Commonwealth Preschool Partnership Initiative; provided further, that not later than March 17, 2026, the department shall submit a report to the joint committee on education and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the status of planning and implementation activities, which shall include, but not be limited to, the: (i) districts that submitted applications for grant funding; (ii) recipients of grant funding; (iii) anticipated number of children served by recipients; (iv) size of awarded grants by recipient; and (v) recipients' workforce development efforts; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, funds distributed from this item shall be deposited with the treasurer of the city, town, regional school district or educational collaborative and held in a separate account and shall be expended by the school committee of such city, town, regional school district or educational collaborative without further appropriation; provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months; and provided further, that funds from this item may be used to provide administration support to grantees, including technical assistance and program evaluation $10,000,000

3000-6075 For early childhood mental health consultation services in early education and care programs in the commonwealth; provided, that preference shall be given to those services designed to limit the number of expulsions and suspensions from the programs and to early education and care programs serving high percentages of high-needs students; provided further, that eligible recipients for such grants shall include municipal school districts, regional school districts, educational collaboratives, head start programs, licensed child care providers, child care resource and referral centers and other qualified entities; and provided further, that funds shall be spent on trauma-informed professional development for early education providers $5,000,000

3000-7000 For statewide neonatal and postnatal home parenting education and home visiting programs for at-risk newborns to be administered by the Children's Trust Fund, established in section 50 of chapter 10 of the General Laws; provided, that such services shall be made available statewide to parents under 24 years of age; provided further, that the department of early education and care shall collaborate with the Children's Trust Fund, when appropriate, to coordinate services provided through this item with services provided through item 3000-7050 to ensure that parents receiving services through this item are aware of all opportunities available to them and their children through the department; provided further, that the Children's Trust Fund shall oversee the maintenance of a participant data system; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, priority for such services shall be given to low-income parents $17,642,896

High-Quality EEC Affordability Fund.....96.36%
General Fund 3.64%

3000-7040 For the department of early education and care, which may expend not more than $520,000 for contingency contracts related to pursuing federal reimbursement or avoiding costs in its capacity as the single state agency under Title IV, Part E, of the Social Security Act, as codified at 42 U.S.C. chapter 7, subchapter IV, part E; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law or regulation to the contrary, these contingency contracts shall not exceed 3 years except with prior review and approval by the executive office for administration and finance; and provided further, that for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $520,000

3000-7050 For the coordinated family and community engagement grant program, which shall establish a statewide network of supports for early education; provided, that the department of early education and care shall distribute grants not later than August 29, 2025 in order to allow a full year of service for families involved in these programs; provided further, that the department shall, to the maximum extent feasible, coordinate services provided through this item with services provided through item 3000-7000 in order to ensure that parents receiving services through this item are aware of all opportunities available to them and their children through the department; provided further, that eligible recipients for such grants shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the Massachusetts Family Networks program; (ii) municipal school districts; (iii) regional school districts; (iv) educational collaboratives; (v) the parent-child home program; (vi) head start programs; (vii) other school readiness and family support programs; (viii) licensed child care providers; and (ix) child care resource and referral centers; provided further, that supports funded through this item shall be in alignment with the quality requirements of the Massachusetts universal pre-kindergarten program and the Massachusetts Quality Rating and Improvement System; provided further, that the department shall take steps to streamline activities and programs funded through this item; provided further, that the department may expend funds from this item on grants for

supplemental services for children with individualized education plans; provided further, that not more than $160,000 shall be expended for technical assistance; and provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months..... $11,740,598

3000-7052 For the parent-child plus program, also known as the parent-child home program..... $4,250,000

3000-7055 For the Neighborhood Villages Inc. pilot program to provide high-quality, economically integrated infant and toddler classrooms that demonstrate best practices for supporting children, families and the early childhood workforce and establish infrastructure to facilitate wraparound health and wellness programming for children and families; provided, that funds shall be used to support high-quality early education and care classroom instruction and workforce development training; provided further, that funds shall be used to allow for the enhancement, coordination and alignment of early learning programs with community-based health providers and those resources that impact outcomes across health and early learning; and provided further, that the pilot program shall serve to identify resources and promising practices that inform efforts to support school-readiness and ensure the healthy development and well-being of children and families..... $1,000,000

3000-7066 For professional development and higher education opportunities and supports for early educators to be coordinated by the department in conjunction with Massachusetts-based 2-year public institutions of higher education; provided, that programming shall focus on the statewide recruitment and training needs of the early education and care workforce, encourage opportunities for career advancement and retention and incorporate early education and care stakeholder, employer and industry collaboration; and provided further, that professional development opportunities shall be consistent with the core competencies and career pathways established by the department and, to the greatest extent possible, shall provide a standard number of college credits transferable to all other public institutions of higher education in the commonwealth..... $4,950,000

3000-7070 For Reach Out and Read, Inc.; provided, that the funds distributed through Reach Out and Read, Inc. shall be contingent upon a match of not less than $1 in private or corporate contributions for every $1 in state grant funding..... $1,750,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

Office of the Secretary.

4000-0005 For youth violence prevention program grants administered by the executive office of health and human services; provided, that the grants shall be targeted at reducing youth violence among young persons at the highest annual risk of being perpetrators or victims of gun and community violence; provided further, that these funds shall be made available to those municipalities with the highest number of annual youth homicides and serious assaults as determined by the executive office; provided further, that any new grants awarded from

this item in fiscal year 2026 shall comply with the grant application requirements set forth in item 4000-0005 of section 2 of chapter 38 of the acts of 2013; provided further, that the executive office of health and human services may select the same evaluator in fiscal year 2026 as selected in fiscal year 2025; provided further, that funds may be set aside for the administration of these programs; and provided further, that not later than February 6, 2026, the secretary of health and human services shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (i) successful grant applications; (ii) the criteria used in selecting grant recipients; (iii) a set of clearly defined goals and benchmarks on which grant recipients shall be evaluated; and (iv) outcomes and findings that demonstrate program success from the grant awards for fiscal year 2025 ..... $12,600,000

4000-0007 For housing and supportive services for unaccompanied youth under section 16X of chapter 6A of the General Laws; provided, that not later than February 6, 2026, the executive office of health and human services shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on: (i) the number of youths served through this item; (ii) the types of services received by participating youths; (iii) the number of youths who transition into stabilized housing and the zip code of the stabilized housing; (iv) the number of youths who remain in stabilized housing after 90 days, when applicable; (v) other quantifiable data related to client outcomes as determined by the secretary; (vi) the number of youths turned away from the program; and (vii) the amount of funding awarded to vendors for the delivery of services and the names of each vendor $10,545,850

4000-0009 For the office of health equity established in section 16AA of chapter 6A of the General Laws; provided, that the office may enter into service agreements with the department of public health to fulfill the obligations of the office; provided further, that not later than December 19, 2025, the office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the development of the office of health equity within the executive office of health and human services and the implementation of programming as set forth in said section 16AA of said chapter 6A, including personnel costs and an organizational structure plan $371,692

4000-0020 For the nursing and allied health workforce development initiative, to develop and support strategies that increase the number of public higher education faculty members and students who participate in programs that support careers in fields related to the nursing and allied health workforce; provided, that the amount appropriated in this item shall be transferred to the Massachusetts Nursing and Allied Health Workforce Development Trust Fund established in section 33 of chapter 305 of the acts of 2008; provided further, that funds shall be transferred to the fund according to an allotment schedule adopted by the executive office for administration and finance; and provided further, that not later than March 3 2026, the executive office of health and human services shall submit a report to the joint committee on public health, the joint committee on health care financing, the joint committee on higher education and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the expenditures from the Massachusetts Nursing and Allied Health Workforce Development Trust Fund and short and long-term strategies to increase the number

of public and private higher education faculty and students who participate in programs that support careers in fields related to nursing and allied health $500,000

4000-0050 For the operation of the PCA quality home care workforce council established in section 71 of chapter 118E of the General Laws $3,359,767

4000-0250 For the executive office of health and human services, which may expend not more than $15,000,000 from monies received from the commonwealth health insurance connector authority for the costs of the operation and maintenance of the health insurance exchange; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenue and related expenditures, the executive office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system..... $15,000,000

4000-0300 For the operation of the office of the executive office of health and human services, including the operation of the managed care oversight board; provided, that funds appropriated in this item shall be expended for administrative and contracted services related to the implementation and operation of programs under chapter 118E of the General Laws; provided further, that any unexpended balance in these accounts shall revert to the General Fund on June 30, 2026; provided further, that no expenditures, whether made by the executive office or another commonwealth entity, shall be made that are not federally reimbursable, including those related to Titles XIX or XXI of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. chapter 7, subchapters XIX or XXI, the MassHealth demonstration waiver approved under subsection (a) of section 1115 of Title XI of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 1315(a), or the community first section 1115 demonstration waiver under said section 1115 of said Title XI of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C 1315, except as required for: (i) the administration of the executive office; (ii) the equivalent of MassHealth Standard benefits for children under 21 years of age who are in the care or custody of the department of youth services or the department of children and families; (iii) the dental benefits provided to clients of the department of developmental services who are 21 years of age or older; (iv) the payments related to services delivered in institutions for mental disease for which federal financial participation is not otherwise available; (v) cost-containment efforts, the purposes and amounts of which shall be submitted to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 30 days before making these expenditures; or (vi) otherwise as explicitly authorized with the prior written approval of the secretary of administration and finance; provided further, that the executive office shall provide technical and administrative assistance to agencies under the purview of the secretariat receiving federal funds; provided further, that the executive office shall ensure that any collaborative assessments for children receiving services from multiple agencies within the secretariat shall be performed within existing resources; provided further, that funds appropriated in this item shall be expended for administrative and contracted services related to the implementation and operation of programs under chapter 118E of the General Laws;

provided further, that funds may be expended for the operation of the office of health equity under the department of public health and the executive office; provided further, that the office of Medicaid shall coordinate with the health policy commission in the development of care delivery and payment models in the MassHealth program, including patient-centered medical homes and accountable care organizations, in order to ensure alignment of such models with the commission's certification programs under sections 14 and 15 of chapter 6D of the General Laws; provided further, that in consultation with the center for health information and analysis, no rate increase shall be provided to existing Medicaid provider rates without taking all measures possible under Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act, codified at 42 U.S.C. chapter 7, subchapter XIX, to ensure that rates of payment to providers shall not exceed the rates that are necessary to meet the cost of efficiently and economically operated providers in order to provide services of adequate quality; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the commissioner of mental health shall approve any prior authorization or other restriction on medication used to treat mental illness under written policies, procedures and regulations of the department of mental health; provided further, that the executive office of health and human services may continue to recover provider overpayments made in the current and prior fiscal years through the Medicaid management information system and these recoveries shall be considered current fiscal year expenditure refunds; provided further, that the executive office may collect directly from a liable third party any amounts paid to contracted providers under said chapter 118E for which the executive office later discovers another third party is liable if no other course of recoupment is possible; provided further, that the executive office and its agencies, when contracting for services on the islands of Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket and the town of Provincetown, shall take into consideration the increased costs associated with the provision of goods, services and housing in said jurisdictions; provided further, that funds shall be expended for interpretive services directly or indirectly related to a settlement or resolution agreement with the office of civil rights or any other office, group or entity; provided further, that the personal care attendant program shall maintain the same eligibility criteria and level of services in fiscal year 2026 as were available in fiscal year 2025; provided further, that the executive office of health and human services shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means not later than January 13, 2026 on the: (A) number of members served in the dual eligible initiative; (B) average expenditure per member; (C) average expenditure per member before the demonstration project; and (D) number of clients that receive care at skilled nursing facilities; provided further, that not later than December 19, 2025, the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on health care financing detailing utilization in fiscal year 2025 of the Health Safety Net Trust Fund, established in section 66 of said chapter 118E, including the: (1) number of persons whose medical expenses were billed to the Health Safety Net Trust Fund; (2) total dollar amount billed to the Health Safety Net Trust Fund; (3) age, income level and insurance status of recipients using the Health Safety Net Trust Fund; (4) types of services paid for out of the Health Safety Net Trust Fund; and (5) amount disbursed from the Health Safety Net Trust Fund to each

hospital and community health center; provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on health care financing on: (a) total spending related to pharmaceutical utilization for fiscal year 2025; (b) estimated spending related to pharmaceutical utilization for fiscal year 2026; (c) the actual and estimated revenue amounts, both in the form of supplemental rebates and federal financial participation, received in fiscal year 2025 and fiscal year 2026 as a result of total pharmaceutical spending; (d) total or projected savings amounts delivered from supplemental rebate negotiations in fiscal year 2026; and (e) the relative impact of price and utilization of pharmaceutical drugs added to the MassHealth drug list within fiscal year 2025 and fiscal year 2026; provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the executive office of health and human services, in consultation with office of Medicaid, 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 on the review of wage payment rates for the provision of continuous skilled nursing care, as established in 101 CMR 350.04, 101 CMR 361, and 101 CMR 453, including: (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; (II) an aggregated overview of the proportion of the Medicaid reimbursement rate paid directly as wages and benefits to nurses providing continuous skilled nursing care through a home health agency that contracts with MassHealth; (III) an aggregated breakdown of said wage rates as applied to the acuity level of patients receiving continuous skilled nursing care; (IV) an aggregated breakdown of said wage rates as applied to the licensure level of the providers of continuous skilled nursing care; (V) state costs for wage rates promulgated in state fiscal years 2020 to 2025, inclusive, by regulation, department and program; (VI) the fiscal impact of increases in state funding versus prior fiscal year actual costs for wage rates promulgated for state fiscal years 2020 to 2025, inclusive, by regulation, department and program; and (VII) recommendations on information to be included in any future reporting by home health agencies receiving an increase of continuous skilled nursing care rates provided by the office of Medicaid; provided further, that home health agencies providing continuous skilled nursing care shall provide all information and documentation requested by the executive office of health and human services to compile the required report; provided further, that the executive office shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on health care financing summarizing the projected total costs for the next fiscal year of pharmaceutical pipeline drugs identified by the executive office and expected to be made available for utilization within a 12-month period from the submission date of the report; provided further, that said report shall not identify the specific drugs, manufacturer identities or wholesale acquisition costs of individual drugs identified by the department; provided further, that the executive office shall submit monthly MassHealth caseload reports in a searchable electronic format to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that not later than January 13,

2026, the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the methodology used to project caseload and utilization in fiscal year 2025 and fiscal year 2026; provided further, that the executive office of health and human services shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means not later August 1, 2025 and every 30 days thereafter on the status of the implementation of the behavioral health roadmap; provided further, that the executive office shall make a supplemental payment not less than $3,000,000 to Franciscan Hospital for Children, Inc. above base rates, to compensate for high-complexity pediatric care; provided further, that not less than $300,000 shall be expended for Health Care For All, Inc. for the costs associated with operating its free statewide non-profit consumer assistance helpline in order to provide health coverage eligibility, enrollment and navigation assistance and to operate an online support platform for enrollment assistance across the state; and provided further, that not less than $2,000,000 shall be expended for Health Care for All, Inc. to work with community-based organizations in high need areas of the state to conduct health coverage enrollment assistance, as well as coordinate and support health outreach and education efforts $157,140,881

4000-0320 For the executive office of health and human services, which may expend not more than $225,000,000 for medical care and assistance rendered in the current year from the monies received from recoveries and collections of any current or prior year expenditures; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the balance of any personal needs accounts collected from nursing and other medical institutions upon the death of a medical assistance recipient and held by the executive office for more than 3 years may be credited to this item..... $225,000,000

4000-0321 For the executive office of health and human services, which may expend not more than $65,000,000 for contingency fee contracts related to pursuing federal reimbursement or avoiding costs in its capacity as the single state agency under Titles XIX and XXI of the federal Social Security Act and as the principal agency for all of the agencies within the executive office and other federally assisted programs administered by the executive office; provided, that such contingency contracts shall not exceed 3 years except with prior review and approval by the executive office for administration and finance; provided further, that after providing payments due under the terms of the contingency contracts, the executive office of health and human services may use available funds to support special MassHealth projects that will receive enhanced federal revenue opportunities, including MassHealth eligibility operations and systems enhancements that support reforms and improvements to MassHealth programs; provided further, that any enhanced federal financial participation received for these special projects, including the Implementation Advanced Planning Documents or other eligibility operations and systems enhancements that support reforms and improvements to MassHealth shall be deposited into this item; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of revenues and payments required under contingency contracts, the comptroller shall certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most

recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system; provided further, that the secretary of health and human services may negotiate contingency fees for activities and services related to pursuing federal reimbursement or avoiding costs, and the comptroller shall certify these fees and pay them upon the receipt of this revenue, reimbursement or demonstration of costs avoided; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the executive office may enter into interdepartmental service agreements with the University of Massachusetts medical school to perform activities that the secretary of health and human services, in consultation with the comptroller, determines to be within the scope of the proper administration of said Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act and other federal funding provisions to support the programs and activities of the executive office; provided further, that said activities may include providing: (i) administrative services including, but not limited to, utilization management activities and eligibility determinations based on disability and supporting case management activities and similar initiatives; (ii) consulting services related to quality assurance, program evaluation and development, integrity and soundness and project management; and (iii) activities and services to pursue federal reimbursement, avoid costs or identify third-party liability and recoup payments made to third parties; provided further, that federal reimbursement for any expenditure made by the University of Massachusetts medical school for federally reimbursable services the university provides under these interdepartmental service agreements or other contracts with the executive office shall be distributed to the university and recorded distinctly in the state accounting system; provided further, that contingency fees paid to the University of Massachusetts medical school shall not exceed $40,000,000 for state fiscal year 2026 except for contingency fees paid under interdepartmental service agreements for recoveries related to special disability workload projects; and provided further, that not later than December 19, 2025, the secretary of health and human services shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (A) the amounts of the agreements; (B) a delineation of all ongoing and new projects; and (C) the amount of federal reimbursement and cost avoidance derived from the contracts for the previous fiscal year's activities $65,000,000

4000-0322 For the executive office of health and human services, which may expend not more than $10,000,000 for contingency fee contracts related to revenue maximization projects pursuing additional federal reimbursement or avoiding state costs; provided, that such contingency contracts shall not exceed 3 years except with prior review and approval by the executive office for administration and finance; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures required under contingency contracts, the executive office of health and human services shall incur expenses and the comptroller shall certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system; and provided further, that the secretary of health and human services may negotiate contingency fees for activities and services related to pursuing federal reimbursement or

avoiding costs, and the comptroller shall certify these fees and pay them upon the receipt of this revenue, reimbursement or demonstration of costs avoided $10,000,000

4000-0430 For the CommonHealth program to provide primary and supplemental medical care and assistance to disabled adults and children under sections 9A, 16 and 16A of chapter 118E of the General Laws; provided, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to the recipients in prior fiscal years; provided further, that the executive office of health and human services shall maximize federal reimbursement for state expenditures made on behalf of those adults and children; provided further, that children shall be determined eligible for medical care and assistance if they meet the disability standards as defined by the executive office; provided further, that, such standards shall be no more restrictive than those in effect on July 1, 1996; and provided further, that the executive office shall process a CommonHealth application within 45 days of receipt of a completed application or within 90 days if a determination of disability is required $340,074,133

4000-0500 For health care services provided to medical assistance recipients through the executive office of health and human services' managed care delivery systems, including a behavioral health contractor, the Primary Care Clinician Plan, Primary Care Accountable Care Organizations, MassHealth managed care organizations and Accountable Care Partnership Plans and for MassHealth benefits provided to children, adolescents and adults under section 9 of chapter 118E of the General Laws and clauses (a) to (d), inclusive, and clause (h) of subsection (2) of section 9A of said chapter 118E and section 16C of said chapter 118E; provided, that no funds shall be expended from this item for children and adolescents under clause (c) of said subsection (2) of said section 9A of said chapter 118E whose household incomes, as determined by the executive office, exceed 150 per cent of the federal poverty level; provided further, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to recipients in prior fiscal years; provided further, that the executive office shall require that any contract or other arrangement entered into by a managed care provider under the managed care delivery system for the provision and administration of pharmacy benefit management services on behalf of individuals enrolled in programs of medical assistance under this item, including a managed care provider participating in an accountable care partnership plan, shall include, but not be limited to, the requirement that pharmacy benefit managers: (i) identify all sources and amounts of income, payments and financial benefits related to the provision and administration of pharmacy benefit management services on behalf of the managed care provider including, but not limited to, pricing discounts, rebates, inflationary payments, credits, clawbacks, fees, grants, chargebacks, reimbursements or other benefits; and (ii) disclose to MassHealth the sources and amounts of all income, payments and financial benefits received by the pharmacy benefit manager; provided further, that the personal care attendant program shall maintain the same eligibility criteria and level of services in fiscal year 2026 as were available in fiscal year 2025; provided further, that not later than February 6, 2026, the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (A) the total number of

members participating in the Accountable Care Organization program; (B) disenrollment trends from the Partnership Plan, Primary Care Accountable Care Organization and Managed Care Organization-administered Accountable Care Organizations within the designated plan selection; (C) the outcomes achieved by accountable care organizations and community partners including, but not limited to, financial performance, patient safety, patient satisfaction, quality and aggregate and per-member reductions in spending compared to prior cost trends; (D) the results of benchmarks on accountable care organizations' and community partners' progress toward an integrated care delivery system; and (E) a summary of spending and activities related to traditionally non-reimbursed services to address health-related social needs including, but not limited to, home and community-based services, housing stabilization and support, utility assistance, non-medical transportation, physical activity, nutrition and sexual assault and domestic violence supports; provided further, that said summary shall include, to the maximum extent practicable, aggregated data on the results of preventative health care services such as health-related social needs screening, the number of referrals to human service providers to address such screening, the result of such referrals and changes in health status; provided further, that such data shall be stratified by demographic factors to support an analysis of the impact on health disparities; provided further, that where data is not available, a report on progress toward establishing necessary data systems shall be provided; provided further, that said summary shall include outcome measures for at-risk populations with chronic health conditions; and provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the executive office shall conduct a comparative analysis of the rate differential for inpatient psychiatric and substance use hospital per diem payments between MassHealth and its contracted health insurers, health plans, health maintenance organizations, behavioral health management firms and third-party administrators under contract to a Medicaid managed care organization or primary care clinician plan and submit such analysis to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on mental health, substance use and recovery..... $6,013,267,263

4000-0601 For health care services provided to MassHealth members who are seniors, including those provided through the Medicare Savings Program, and for the operation of the MassHealth senior care options program under section 9D of chapter 118E of the General Laws; provided, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to recipients in prior fiscal years; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purposes of an individual's eligibility for the senior care options program, an individual is deemed to reach the age of 65 on the first day of the month in which their sixty-fifth birthday occurs; provided further, that nursing facility rates effective October 1, 2025 under section 13D of said chapter 118E shall be developed using the costs of calendar year 2019; provided further, that funds shall be expended from this item to maintain a personal needs allowance of $72.80 per month for individuals residing in nursing and rest homes who are eligible for MassHealth, emergency aid to the elderly, the disabled and children program or supplemental security income; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for any nursing home facility or non-acute chronic disease hospital that

provides kosher food to its residents, the executive office of health and human services, in consultation with the center for health information and analysis and in recognition of the special innovative program status granted by the executive office, shall continue to make the standard payment rates established in fiscal year 2006 to reflect the high dietary costs incurred in providing kosher food; provided further, that MassHealth shall reimburse nursing home facilities for up to 20 medical leave-of-absence days and shall reimburse the facilities for up to 10 non-medical leave-of-absence days; provided further, that medical leave-of-absence days shall include an observation stay in a hospital in excess of 24 hours; provided further, that no nursing home shall reassign a patient's bed during a leave of absence that is eligible for reimbursement under this item; provided further, that not later than January 16, 2026, MassHealth shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing, for fiscal year 2025, the: (i) number of nursing facility clients on a leave of absence, delineated by the nursing facility, medical leave-of-absence days and medical leave-of-absence days that exceeded 10 days per hospital stay, nonmedical leave-of-absence days and the total number of days on leave of absence unduplicated member count; (ii) monthly licensed bed capacity level per nursing home and the monthly total number of empty beds per nursing facility, total number of all nursing home residents and total MassHealth nursing home residents; (iii) 6 separate MassHealth payment rates and the average payment amount rate per nursing facility client resident; (iv) actual number of nursing home residents for each of the 6 payment rates in clause (iii); and (v) aggregate payment amount per nursing facility by month; provided further, that the information in the report shall be delineated by nursing facility, including grand totals where appropriate; provided further, that the personal care attendant program shall maintain the same eligibility criteria and level of services in fiscal year 2026 as were available in fiscal year 2025; provided further, that no payment for special provider costs shall be made from this item without the prior written approval of the secretary of administration and finance; provided further, that not later than February 3, 2026, the executive office of health and human services shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the implementation of the Medicare Savings Program expanded program eligibility for seniors pursuant to section 25A of said chapter 118E; and provided further, that said report shall include, but not be limited to: (A) the number of members who are seniors whose household incomes, as determined by the executive office, exceed 135 per cent of the federal poverty level, that are enrolled in Medicare Savings Programs during each month of the fiscal year; (B) total enrollment in the Qualified Medicare Beneficiary program, Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary Program and Qualifying Individual Program; (C) total annual spending on Medicare premiums and cost-sharing for such members; and (D) total annual transfers from the prescription advantage program in item 9110-1455 and Health Safety Net Trust Fund to fund the Medicare Savings Program expansion $5,117,088,567

4000-0641 For nursing facility Medicaid rates; provided, that in fiscal year 2026, the executive office of health and human services, in consultation with the center for health information and analysis, shall establish rates that cumulatively total $342,100,000 more than the annual payment rates established under the rates in effect as of June 30, 2002; provided

further, that not less than $30,000,000 shall be expended in base rates for additional payments over the rate established in October 2024 to reflect nursing facility resident care and workforce costs including wages, hiring of staff and training for nursing facility workers; provided further, that an amount for expenses related to the collection and administration of section 63 of chapter 118E of the General Laws shall be transferred to the executive office; and provided further, that the payments made under this item shall be allocated in an amount sufficient to implement section 622 of chapter 151 of the acts of 1996 ..... $655,073,456

4000-0700 For health care services provided to medical assistance recipients under the executive office of health and human services' health care indemnity or third-party liability plan, to medical assistance recipients not otherwise covered under the executive office's managed care or senior care plans and for MassHealth benefits provided to children, adolescents and adults under section 9 of chapter 118E of the General Laws and clauses (a) to (d), inclusive, and clause (h) of subsection (2) of section 9A of said chapter 118E and section 16C of said chapter 118E; provided, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to recipients in prior fiscal years; provided further, that children who have aged out of the custody of the department of children and families shall be eligible for benefits through the age limit specified in MassHealth's approved state plan; provided further, that the executive office may reduce MassHealth premiums or copayments or offer other incentives to encourage enrollees to comply with wellness goals; provided further, that funds shall be expended to eliminate pharmacy copayments for all MassHealth members; provided further, that funds shall be expended from this item for members who qualify for early intervention services; provided further, that notwithstanding this item, funds may be expended from this item for the purchase of third-party insurance including, but not limited to, Medicare for any medical assistance recipient; provided further, that funds may be expended from this item for activities relating to customer service; provided further, that funds may be expended from this item for activities relating to disability determinations or utilization management and review, including patient screenings and evaluations, regardless of whether such activities are performed by a state agency, contractor, agent or provider; provided further, that MassHealth shall expend $13,000,000 in the aggregate for acute care hospitals that have greater than 63 per cent of their gross patient service revenue from governmental payers and free care as determined by the executive office; provided further, that in fiscal year 2026, MassHealth shall maintain the same level of federally optional chiropractic services that were in effect in fiscal year 2016 and that were included in its state plan or demonstration program in effect on January 1, 2002 for members enrolled in the primary care clinician program; provided further, that the personal care attendant program shall maintain the same eligibility criteria and level of services in fiscal year 2026 as were available in fiscal year 2025; provided further, that MassHealth shall continue to expend funds for expanded oral health benefits, including endodontic and prosthodontic services, for adult members, consistent with the benefits provided beginning on January 1, 2021; provided further, that dental services for adults shall be covered at least to the extent they were covered as of June 30, 2025; provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the executive

office shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on: (i) dental coverage available to MassHealth recipients as of January 1, 2026 as it compares to dental coverage available to MassHealth recipients on January 1, 2010; (ii) utilization of dental services in fiscal year 2025 and fiscal year 2026; (iii) the actual and projected costs and revenue associated with dental coverage in fiscal year 2025 and fiscal year 2026; and (iv) the estimated cost effectiveness of dental coverage as a contributor to MassHealth total cost of care; provided further, that no payments for special provider costs shall be made from this item without the prior written approval of the secretary of administration and finance; provided further, that no funds shall be expended from this item for children and adolescents under clause (c) of said subsection (2) of said section 9A of said chapter 118E whose household incomes, as determined by the executive office, exceed 150 per cent of the federal poverty level; provided further, that in fiscal year 2026, the executive office shall not fund programs relating to case management with the intention of reducing length of stay for neonatal intensive care unit cases; provided further, that not later than December 2, 2025, $750,000 shall be equally distributed to the teaching community health centers with family medicine residency programs in the cities of Worcester and Lawrence and in the South Boston section of the city of Boston; provided further, that the secretary of health and human services shall designate the league of community health centers to administer the funds and shall retain 5 per cent of the total funds; and provided further, that the secretary shall: (A) report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the use of the funds by teaching community health centers; and (B) audit said centers in order to confirm the use of the funds by each center for training purposes $4,231,525,812

4000-0875 For the executive office of health and human services to expend for the provision of benefits to eligible individuals who require medical treatment for either breast or cervical cancer under section 2 of the federal Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment Act of 2000, Public Law 106-354, codified at 42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVIII) and section 10D of chapter 118E of the General Laws; provided, that the executive office of health and human services shall provide these benefits to individuals whose incomes, as determined by the executive office, do not exceed 250 per cent of the federal poverty level, subject to continued federal approval; and provided further, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to these recipients in prior fiscal years $18,500,000

4000-0880 For MassHealth benefits under clause (c) of subsection (2) of section 9A of chapter 118E of the General Laws and section 16C of said chapter 118E for children and adolescents whose household incomes, as determined by the executive office of health and human services, exceed 150 per cent of the federal poverty level; provided, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to those children and adolescents in prior fiscal years; and provided further, that funds may be expended from this item for health care subsidies provided to eligible individuals under the last paragraph of section 9 and section 16D of said chapter 118E..... $576,309,407

4000-0885 For the cost of health insurance subsidies paid to employees of small businesses in the insurance reimbursement program under section 9C of chapter 118E of the General Laws; provided, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to persons in prior fiscal years; provided further, that funds may be expended only for employees who are ineligible for subsidized insurance through the commonwealth health insurance connector authority and ineligible for any MassHealth program; provided further, that enrollment in this program may be capped to ensure that MassHealth expenditures shall not exceed the amount appropriated; and provided further, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to individuals eligible under clause (j) of subsection (2) of section 9A of said chapter 118E $34,042,020

4000-0940 For providing health care services related to the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Public Law 111-148; provided, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services to individuals ages 19 to 64, inclusive, whose household incomes, as determined by the executive office of health and human services, do not exceed 133 per cent of the federal poverty level and those who are eligible under clauses (b) and (d) of subsection (2) of section 9A of chapter 118E of the General Laws; and provided further, that in fiscal year 2026, MassHealth shall maintain the same level of vision services that were in effect in fiscal year 2025 for members enrolled in the CarePlus program $3,587,449,744

4000-0950 For administrative and program expenses associated with the children's behavioral health initiative to provide comprehensive, community-based behavioral health services to children suffering from severe emotional disturbances; provided, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to these persons in prior fiscal years; provided further, that the executive office of health and human services shall submit biannual reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the implementation of the initiative; provided further, that said reports shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the results of the scheduled plan to date, including a schedule detailing commencement of services and associated costs by service type; (ii) an analysis of compliance with the terms of the settlement agreement to date; (iii) a detailed itemization of services and service utilization by service type, geographical location and the age of the member receiving the service; (iv) data detailing the time that elapsed between a member's request for services and commencement of an initial assessment for services; (v) the time to complete the initial assessment and the time that elapsed between initial assessment for services and commencement of services; and (vi) a quarterly update of whether projected expenditures are likely to exceed the amount appropriated in this item; provided further, that any unexpended balance in this item shall revert to the General Fund on June 30, 2026; and provided further, that funds shall not be transferred from this item without notifying the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 30 days before such a transfer $331,019,154

4000-0990 For the executive office of health and human services to expend for the children's medical security plan to provide health services for uninsured children from birth through age 18, inclusive; provided, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided

to those persons in prior fiscal years; provided further, that the executive office shall maximize federal reimbursements for state expenditures made on behalf of the children; provided further, that the executive office shall expend all necessary funds from this item to ensure the provision of the program established in section 10F of chapter 118E of the General Laws; provided further, that the MassHealth benefit request shall be used as a joint application to determine the eligibility for both MassHealth and the children's medical security plan; provided further, that the executive office shall prescreen enrollees and applicants for Medicaid eligibility; provided further, that the maximum benefit levels for this program shall be made available only to those children who have been determined by the executive office to be ineligible for MassHealth benefits; and provided further, that no applicant shall be enrolled in the program until the applicant has been denied eligibility for the MassHealth program other than MassHealth Limited..... $42,600,000

4000-1400 For the provision of MassHealth benefits to persons diagnosed with human immunodeficiency virus with incomes that do not exceed 200 per cent of the federal poverty level; provided, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to said persons in prior fiscal years..... $16,555,080

4000-1420 For payment to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services in compliance with Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act, as codified at 42 U.S.C. chapter 7, subchapter XIX..... $704,207,262

4000-1426 For health care services provided to MassHealth members through the following MassHealth waivers approved under section 1915(c) of the federal Social Security Act: (i) the Acquired Brain Injury Residential Habilitation waiver; (ii) the Acquired Brain Injury Non-Residential Habilitation waiver; (iii) the Moving Forward Plan Residential Supports waiver; and (iv) the Moving Forward Plan Community Living waiver; provided, that funds may be expended from this item for administrative and program expenses associated with the operation of said waivers; and provided further, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to members participating in said waivers in prior fiscal years $540,321,947

4000-1700 For the provision of information technology services within the executive office of health and human services..... $180,854,361

Office for Refugees and Immigrants.

4003-0111 For the operation of the office for refugees and immigrants; provided, that the office shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (i) a list of recipients of such funds; (ii) the amounts distributed to each recipient; and (iii) the number of newly arrived immigrants and refugees served by each recipient..... $1,052,320

4003-0122 For a citizenship for new Americans program to assist legal permanent residents of the commonwealth in becoming citizens of the United States; provided, that the office for refugees and immigrants shall administer the program; provided further, that the program funded under this item shall provide assistance to persons who are within 3 years of eligibility to become citizens of the United States; provided

further, that services shall include: (i) English for Speakers of Other Languages/civics classes; (ii) citizenship application assistance; (iii) interview preparation; and (iv) support services including, but not limited to, interpretation and referral services; provided further, that persons who would qualify for benefits under chapter 118A of the General Laws but for their status as legal noncitizens shall be given the highest priority for services; provided further, that persons who currently receive state-funded benefits that could be replaced in whole or in part by federally funded benefits if those persons become citizens shall be given priority for services; provided further, that funds may be expended for the programmatic and administrative support of the office's refugee and immigrant services; provided further, that not later than January 16, 2026 the office for refugees and immigrants shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means including, but not limited to: (A) the services provided to immigrants and refugees, including but not limited to Afghan, Haitian, and Ukrainian refugees and immigrants in fiscal year 2024 and 2025; (B) the number of said refugees and immigrants serviced; and (C) the efforts taken to fully settle said refugees and immigrants and provide them with support services to find employment, housing, health insurance and childcare; and provided further, that funds may be expended for the programmatic and administrative support of the office's refugee and immigrant services $1,305,255

4003-0124 For the implementation of an immigration legal services program; provided, that funds may be expended for costs associated with implementing the program; and provided further, that, subject to appropriation, funds shall be distributed by the office for refugees and immigrants to designated non-profit organizations to increase access to legal representation for immigrants and refugees in the commonwealth, including, but not limited to, legal assistance in a single consultation or ongoing legal representation and all legal advice, advocacy and related assistance $5,000,000

Center for Health Information and Analysis.

4100-0060 For the operation of the center for health information and analysis established in chapter 12C of the General Laws; provided, that the estimated costs of the center shall be assessed in the manner prescribed by section 7 of said chapter 12C; and provided further, that the center for health information and analysis shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means not later than January 9, 2026 on: (i) the MassHealth rates of payment for telehealth services; (ii) the MassHealth rates of payment for comparable in-person services; and (iii) the utilization rates of telehealth services where in person services are available $33,664,991

4100-0063 For the operation of the Betsy Lehman center for patient safety and medical error reduction established in section 15 of chapter 12C of the General Laws; provided, that the estimated costs of the center shall be assessed in the manner prescribed by section 7 of said chapter 12C $3,174,027

OFFICE OF DISABILITIES AND COMMUNITY SERVICES.

Massachusetts Commission for the Blind.

4110-0001	For the operation of the Massachusetts commission for the blind, including the cost of sheltered workforce employee retirement benefits	$1,862,462
4110-1000	For the community services program; provided, that the Massachusetts commission for the blind shall work in collaboration with the Massachusetts commission for the deaf and hard of hearing to provide assistance and services to the deaf-blind community through the deaf-blind community access network; and provided further, that not less than $850,000 shall be expended by the Massachusetts commission for the blind to maximize the independent living skills of legally blind residents of the commonwealth through rehabilitation and the provision of accessible devices, assistive software and equipment and supportive technology training by qualified providers in community, residential, virtual and facility-based settings	$8,064,721
4110-2000	For the turning 22 program of the Massachusetts commission for the blind, including deaf-blind extended supports; provided, that the commission shall work in conjunction with the department of developmental services to secure the maximum amount of federal reimbursements available for the care of turning 22 program clients	$18,287,034
4110-3010	For vocational rehabilitation services for the blind operated in cooperation with the federal government; provided, that no funds from federal vocational rehabilitation grants or state appropriations shall be deducted for pensions, group health or life insurance or any other such indirect costs of federally reimbursed state employees	$2,547,485

Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission.

4120-0200	For independent living centers; provided, that not later than April 1, 2026, MassAbility shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the services provided by independent living centers, which shall include, but not be limited to, the: (i) total number of consumers that request and receive services; (ii) types of services requested and received by consumers; (iii) total number of consumers moved from nursing homes; and (iv) total number of independent living plans and goals set and achieved by consumers	$8,000,000
4120-1000	For the operation of MassAbility; provided, that not less than 90 days prior to any changes to the current eligibility criteria, MassAbility shall provide written notification to the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that the commissioner shall report quarterly to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the secretary of administration and finance on the number of clients served and the amount expended on each type of service; provided further, that upon the written request of the commissioner of revenue, MassAbility shall provide lists of individual clients to whom, or on behalf of whom, payments have been made for the purpose of verifying eligibility and detecting and preventing fraud, error and abuse in the programs administered by MassAbility; and provided further, that said lists shall include client names and social security numbers	

and payee names and other identification, if different from a client's identification $468,687

4120-2000 For vocational rehabilitation services operated in cooperation with the federal government; provided, that funds from federal vocational rehabilitation grants or state appropriations shall not be deducted for pensions, group health or life insurance or any other indirect costs of federally reimbursed state employees; and provided further, that the commissioner of rehabilitation, in making referrals to service providers, shall take into account a client's place of residence and the proximity of the nearest provider to said residence $28,804,358

4120-3000 For employment assistance services; provided, that vocational evaluation and employment services shall be provided for severely disabled adults $2,553,259

4120-4000 For community-based services, which shall include, but not be limited to, protective services, adult support services, assistive technology services and the annualization of funding for turning 22 program clients who began receiving services in fiscal year 2025 under item 4120-4010 of chapter 28 of the acts of 2023 ..... $14,327,399

4120-4001 For the housing registry for people with disabilities $150,000

4120-4010 For the turning 22 program of MassAbility $306,915

4120-5000 For homemaking services $5,921,788

4120-6000 For services for individuals with head injuries; provided, that MassAbility shall work with the executive office of health and human services to maximize federal reimbursement for clients receiving head injury services $33,127,243

Massachusetts Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

4125-0100 For the operation of and services provided by the Massachusetts commission for the deaf and hard of hearing $10,616,666

OFFICE OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES.

Department of Youth Services.

4200-0010 For the administration of the department of youth services; provided, that the department shall continue to collaborate with the department of elementary and secondary education in order to align curriculum at the department of youth services with the statewide curriculum frameworks and to ease the reintegration of youth from facilities at the department of youth services into traditional public school settings; provided further, that the commissioner of youth services may transfer funds between items 4200-0100, 4200-0200, 4200-0300 and 4200-0600, as necessary, under an allocation plan which shall detail, by object class, the distribution of the funds to be transferred and which the commissioner shall submit to the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 15 days before any transfer; and

provided further, that not more than 7 per cent of any such item shall be transferred in fiscal year 2026 ..... $4,879,364

4200-0100 For supervision, counseling and other community-based services provided to committed youths in nonresidential care programs of the department of youth services..... $22,039,732

4200-0200 For pretrial detention programs, including purchase-of-service and state-operated programs $30,941,775

4200-0300 For secure facilities, including purchase-of-service and state-operated programs incidental to the operations of the facilities; provided, that funds shall be expended to address the needs of the female population; and provided further, that funds shall be expended for suicide prevention services..... $112,805,693

4200-0500 For enhanced salaries for teachers at the department of youth services $3,059,187

4200-0600 For the operation of secure facilities to detain arrested youth before arraignment under the overnight arrest program $2,676,387

4200-0700 For the Massachusetts youth diversion program to provide evidence-based delinquency prevention through diversion programming that serves as an alternative to arresting or prosecuting youth through the juvenile court $1,873,906

Department of Transitional Assistance.

4400-1000 For the central administration of the department of transitional assistance; provided, that all costs associated with verifying disability for all programs of the department shall be paid from this item; provided further, that the department shall submit monthly status reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the secretary of administration and finance on program expenditures, savings and revenues, error rate measurements and public assistance caseloads and benefits; provided further, that the department shall collect all out-of-court settlement restitution payments; provided further, that the restitution payments shall include, but not be limited to, installment and lump sum payments; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary and unless otherwise expressly provided, federal reimbursements received for the department, including reimbursements for administrative, fringe and overhead costs for the current fiscal year and prior fiscal years, shall be credited to the General Fund; provided further, that an application for assistance under chapter 118 of the General Laws shall also be an application for assistance under chapter 118E of the General Laws; provided further, that if the department denies assistance under said chapter 118, the department shall transmit the application to the executive office of health and human services for a determination of eligibility under said chapter 118E; provided further, that the department shall provide the caseload forecasting office with enrollment data and any other information pertinent to caseload forecasting that is requested by the office on a monthly basis; provided further, that the information shall be provided in a manner that meets all applicable federal and state privacy and security requirements;

provided further, that after April 1, 2026, the commissioner of transitional assistance may transfer funds for identified deficiencies between items 4403-2000, 4405-2000 and 4408-1000; provided further, that the distribution of the funds to be transferred shall be included in an allocation plan, which the commissioner shall submit to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 15 days before any such transfer; and provided further, that upon approval by the executive office for administration and finance, the commissioner may transfer funds for identified deficiencies between this item and item 4400-1100 ..... $107,462,031

4400-1001 For programs to increase the commonwealth's participation rate in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and other federal nutrition programs; provided, that not less than $600,000 shall be expended for a grant to Project Bread – The Walk for Hunger, Inc.; provided further, that the work of employees of the department of transitional assistance paid for from this item shall be restricted to processing supplemental nutrition assistance program applications; provided further, that the department shall not require supplemental nutrition assistance program applicants to provide reverification of eligibility factors previously verified and not subject to change; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the department shall require only 1 signature from supplemental nutrition assistance program applicants; provided further, that the department shall fund a unit staffed by department employees to respond to supplemental nutrition assistance program inquiries and arrange and conduct telephone interviews for initial supplemental nutrition assistance program applications from this item; provided further, that the department shall fund a system to image and catalog eligibility documents electronically from this item; provided further, that funds may be expended for supplemental nutrition assistance program outreach; and provided further, that not later than February 3, 2026, the department shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the status of these programs $5,024,032

4400-1004 For the project costs of the Massachusetts healthy incentives program; provided, that when expanding the number of participating vendors, the department shall prioritize improving access in areas with limited access to fresh, local produce and that are historically underserved by the program; provided further, that the department shall collaborate with local food coalitions and nonprofit groups to develop community outreach strategies that ensure equitable access to, and knowledge of, the program; and provided further, that not later than April 1, 2026, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the number of households utilizing the program; (ii) the number of program transactions; (iii) the number of vendors processing program transactions; (iv) a breakdown of the total number of program clients and vendors, by their municipality; and (v) the department's efforts, plans and timeline for identifying geographic areas that are underserved by the program and increasing program activity in those areas, including metrics and factors to be used to make determinations for the addition and siting of vendors, prior appropriation continued $20,000,000

4400-1020 For the operation of the secure jobs connect program for employment support, job training and job search services for homeless or previously homeless families receiving assistance from the executive office of housing and livable communities under items 7004-0101, 7004-0108, 7004-9024 or 7004-9316; provided, that participants receiving assistance under said items 7004-0101 and 7004-0108 shall receive not less than 12 months of housing stabilization services under said items 7004-0101 and 7004-0108; provided further, that services shall be delivered by community-based agencies that have demonstrated experience working in partnership with regional administering agencies including, but not limited to, Community Teamwork Inc., Father Bill's & MainSpring, Inc., Way Finders, Inc., Jewish Vocational Service, Inc., SER-Jobs for Progress, Inc., South Middlesex Opportunity Council, Inc. and Worcester Community Action Council, Inc.; provided further, that the department shall make available rental assistance under item 7004-9024 to ensure effective participation in this program; provided further, that service delivery agencies shall seek additional federal, state or private funds to ensure the effective continuation of regional partnerships; and provided further, that not later than April 1, 2026, the department of transitional assistance shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means, by type of service or program provided, on the: (i) housing situation, including stability of housing, for program participants; (ii) employment status, including the employment history, of program participants; (iii) total number of program participants; and (iv) number of program participants who are no longer receiving assistance under said items 7004-0101, 7004-0108, 7004-9024 or 7004-9316 ..... $5,000,000

4400-1025 For domestic violence specialists at local area offices..... $2,329,397

4400-1100 For the payroll of the department of transitional assistance's caseworkers; provided, that only employees of bargaining unit 8 shall be paid from this item $101,262,107

4400-1979 For the department of transitional assistance to administer, in consultation with the commonwealth corporation, an employment counseling and job training program and the pathways to self-sufficiency program respectively established in sections 3B and 3C of chapter 118 of the General Laws and the full employment program established in section 110 of chapter 5 of the acts of 1995, as amended by section 29 of chapter 158 of the acts of 2014 ..... $990,072

4401-1000 For employment and training services for recipients of benefits provided under the transitional aid to families with dependent children program; provided, that funds from this item may be expended on former recipients of the program for up to 1 year after termination of their benefits; provided further, that the department of transitional assistance may expend funds on such services for the noncustodial parents of dependent children receiving transitional aid to families with dependent children; provided further, that the department shall expend not less than the amounts expended in fiscal year 2025 for the young parents program and the competitive integrated employment services program; provided further, that not less than $170,000 shall be expended for learning disability assessments through the University of Massachusetts; provided further, that not less than

$1,500,000 shall be expended for the service providers with whom the office for refugees and immigrants entered into service agreements in fiscal year 2025 under this item; provided further, that certain parents who have not yet reached 18 years of age, including those who are ineligible for transitional aid to families with dependent children and who would qualify for benefits under chapter 118 of the General Laws but for the consideration of the grandparents' income, shall be eligible to receive services; provided further, that not later than April 1, 2026, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means including, but not limited to: (i) the number of clients served by these programs; (ii) the number of clients who transition into employment, when applicable; (iii) the number of clients who remain in employment after 90 days, when applicable; (iv) the number of clients who remain in employment after 1 year, when applicable; and (v) other quantifiable data related to client outcomes as designed by these programs; provided further, that the department shall examine the outcomes of these programs to determine which are effective in transitioning clients to employment and increasing self-sufficiency; and provided further, that the department shall consider other programs to meet the transitional employment needs of clients $18,857,862

4401-1003 For a grant program to be administered by the department of transitional assistance for 2 generation programs to support economic mobility among high-risk young parents between 14 and 24 years of age, inclusive, who are eligible for assistance under the department's young parent program; provided, that grants shall be targeted at young parents experiencing acute trauma, multiple systems involvement, mental health concerns, domestic violence or abuse; provided further, that the grant funding shall be utilized to increase parenting and life skills, housing stability and self-sufficiency, and to build cognitive and behavioral skills through intensive case management and wraparound supports; provided further, that the department shall distribute grant funds through a competitive grant program; provided further, that grants shall be awarded to applicants that: (i) are community-based nonprofit programs; (ii) have demonstrated experience working with high-risk young parents and partnering with local administering agencies; and (iii) seek additional federal, state or private funds to ensure the effective continuation of services and local partnerships; provided further, that the department shall collect robust data from contracted agencies to better understand this population, their risk factors and the services provided to them; provided further, that the department shall award not more than 14 grants; provided further, that grants shall be awarded in communities with high numbers of pregnant and parenting teens; provided further, that grants shall be not less than $250,000 and not more than $500,000; and provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the: (A) total number of program participants; (B) educational attainment of program participants; (C) employment status, including employment history, for program participants; (D) number of program participants receiving assistance under item 4403-2000; and (E) relevant demographic information, as determined by the department $1,980,000

4403-2000 For a program of transitional aid to families with dependent children; provided, that the payment standard and need standard in fiscal year

2026 shall be not less than the standards in effect in fiscal year 2025; provided further, that the need standard shall be equal to the payment standard established under the provisions of this item; provided further, that the payment standard and need standard for fiscal year 2026 shall be not less than the standards set forth in this item; provided further, that the department of transitional assistance shall notify parents under 20 years of age who are receiving benefits from the program of the requirements of clause (2) of subsection (i) of section 110 of chapter 5 of the acts of 1995 or any successor law; provided further, that a $40-per-month rental allowance shall be paid to households incurring a rent or mortgage expense and not residing in public or subsidized housing; provided further, that a nonrecurring children's clothing allowance of $450 shall be provided to each child eligible under this program in September 2025; provided further, that the children's clothing allowance shall be included in the standard of need for the month of September 2025; provided further, that benefits under this program shall not be available to those families in which a child has been removed from the household under a court order after a care and protection hearing held under chapter 119 of the General Laws or to adult recipients otherwise eligible for transitional aid to families with dependent children but for the temporary removal of any dependent children from the home by the department of children and families under department procedures; provided further, that not less than $779,058 shall be expended for transportation benefits for recipients of transitional aid to families with dependent children; provided further, that any person experiencing homelessness, who: (i) has no established place of abode, or lives in a temporary emergency shelter; and (ii) is otherwise eligible under this item and chapter 118 of the General Laws, shall receive the same payment rate as recipients who incur shelter costs including, but not limited to, rent or a mortgage; provided further, that the department of transitional assistance shall promulgate or revise any such rules and regulations necessary to implement the preceding provision; provided further, that notwithstanding section 2 of said chapter 118 or any other general or special law to the contrary, the department shall render aid to pregnant women with no other eligible dependent children only if the pregnancy has been medically verified, and who, if the child had been born and was living with that parent in the month of payment, would be categorically and financially eligible for transitional aid to families with dependent children benefits; provided further, that certain families that suffer a reduction in benefits due to a loss of earned income and participation in retrospective budgeting may receive a supplemental benefit to compensate them for the loss; provided further, that the department of transitional assistance shall, to the extent feasible within the existing appropriation and any funding from other sources, review its disability standards to determine the extent to which such standards reflect the current medical and vocational criteria; provided further, that not less than 75 days before any changes to the disability standards are publicly proposed, the department of transitional assistance shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities; provided further, that at the time of application and on a semi-annual basis, the department of transitional assistance shall provide oral and written notification to all recipients of their child care benefits; provided further, that the notification shall include the full range of child care options available, including center-based child

care, family-based child care and in-home, relative child care; provided further, that the notification shall detail available child care benefits for current and former recipients, including employment and training benefits and transitional benefits; provided further, that the notice shall also advise recipients of the availability of supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits; provided further, that in promulgating, amending or rescinding its regulations relative to eligibility for, or levels of, benefits under the program, the department of transitional assistance shall take into account the amounts available to it for expenditure from this item so as not to exceed this appropriation; provided further, that not less than $986,640 shall be expended for cash and transportation benefits for newly-employed transitional aid to families with dependent children clients for a period not to exceed 12 months to assist such clients with short-term self-sufficiency; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the department of transitional assistance shall calculate benefits provided under this item in the same manner as it calculated said benefits in the previous fiscal year; provided further, that the department of transitional assistance's calculation of benefits shall not preclude the department of transitional assistance from making eligibility or benefit changes that lead to an increase in eligibility or benefits; provided further, that not less than 75 days before adopting eligibility or benefit changes, the department of transitional assistance shall submit a report on said changes to the house and senate committees on ways and means, the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities and the clerks of the house of representatives and senate; provided further, that the report shall include the text of, basis for and reasons for the proposed changes; and provided further, that not later than January 1, 2026, the department of transitional assistance shall submit a report to house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include but not be limited to: (A) the number of participants in the program, including available demographic information; (B) the average benefit amount, including the methodology for determining an individual's benefit amount; and (C) the number of participants in the program who also receive benefits under items 7004-0101, 7004-0108, 7004-9024 or 7004-9316 ..... $467,416,063

4403-2007 For a nutritional benefit program for low-income workers; provided, that benefits shall be provided only to those for whom receiving these benefits will improve the work participation rate under the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program $8,359,783

4403-2008 For participant support payments to pay for or reimburse supplemental nutrition assistance program applicants and recipients for expenses that are reasonably necessary and directly related to participation in the SNAP path to work program $356,537

4403-2119 For the provision of structured settings as provided under subsection (i) of section 110 of chapter 5 of the acts of 1995 or any successor statute, for parents under the age of 22 who are receiving benefits under the transitional aid to families with dependent children program $13,862,439

4405-2000 For the state supplement to the Supplemental Security Income program for the aged and disabled, including a program for emergency needs for Supplemental Security Income recipients;

provided, that the expenses of special grant recipients residing in rest homes, as provided under section 7A of chapter 118A of the General Laws, may be paid from this item; provided further, that the department of transitional assistance, in collaboration with the executive office of health and human services, may fund an optional supplemental living arrangement category under the Supplemental Security Income program that makes payments to persons living in assisted living residences certified under chapter 19D of the General Laws who meet the income and clinical eligibility criteria established by the department and the executive office; provided further, that the optional category of payments shall only be administered in conjunction with the Medicaid group adult foster care benefit; and provided further, that reimbursements to providers for services rendered in prior fiscal years may be expended from this item..... $195,347,995

4408-1000 For a program of cash assistance to certain residents of the commonwealth, entitled emergency aid to the elderly, disabled and children, who are found by the department of transitional assistance to be eligible for the aid under chapter 117A of the General Laws and regulations promulgated by the department and subject to the limitations of appropriation for such purpose; provided, that recipients shall not be subject to sponsor income-deeming or related restrictions; provided further, that in implementing the program for fiscal year 2026, the department shall include all eligibility categories permitted in this item and the need standard shall be not less than the standard that was in effect in fiscal year 2025; provided further, that any person experiencing homelessness, who: (i) has no established place of abode, or lives in a temporary emergency shelter; and (ii) is otherwise eligible under this item and said chapter 117A, shall receive the same payment rate as recipients who incur shelter costs including, but not limited to, rent or a mortgage; provided further, that the department shall promulgate or revise any rules and regulations necessary to implement this provision; provided further, that the department may provide benefits to persons who are the age of 65 or older who have applied for benefits under chapter 118A of the General Laws, to persons suffering from a medically determinable impairment or combination of impairments that is expected to last for a period determined by department regulations, which substantially reduces or eliminates such individuals' capacity to support themselves and which has been verified by a competent authority, to certain persons caring for a disabled person, to otherwise eligible participants in the vocational rehabilitation program of the Massachusetts rehabilitation commission, to dependent children who are ineligible for benefits under both chapter 118 of the General Laws and the separate program under section 210 of chapter 43 of the acts of 1997 and to parents or other caretakers of dependent children who are ineligible under said chapter 118 and under said separate program; provided further, that no person incarcerated in a correctional institution shall be eligible for benefits under the program; provided further, that no funds shall be expended from this item for the payment of expenses associated with any medical review team, other disability screening process or costs associated with verifying disability for this program; provided further, that the department shall adopt emergency regulations under chapter 30A of the General Laws to implement the changes to the program required by this item promptly and within the appropriation; provided further, that in promulgating, amending or rescinding its regulations

with respect to eligibility or benefits, including the payment standard, medical benefits and any other benefits under this program, the department shall take into account the amount available to it for expenditure by this item so as not to exceed the amount appropriated in this item; provided further, that the department may promulgate emergency regulations under said chapter 30A to implement these eligibility changes, benefit changes or both; provided further, that nothing in this item shall be construed to create any right accruing to recipients of the former general relief program; provided further, that reimbursements collected from the Social Security Administration on behalf of former clients of the emergency aid to the elderly, disabled and children program or unprocessed payments from the program that are returned to the department shall be credited to the General Fund; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, not less than 75 days prior to adopting any eligibility or benefit changes, the commissioner of transitional assistance shall submit to the house and senate committees on ways and means, the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities and the clerks of the house of representatives a detailed and comprehensive report setting forth the text of and the basis and reasons for the proposed changes; provided further, that the report shall state exactly which components of the current benefit package will be altered and the department's most accurate assessment of the effects of benefit or eligibility changes upon recipient families; provided further, that the payment standard and need standard for fiscal year 2026 shall be not less than the standards set forth in this item; and provided further, that not later than January 2, 2026, the department of transitional assistance shall submit a report to house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include but not be limited to: (A) the number of participants in the program, including available demographic information; (B) the average benefit amount, including the methodology for determining an individual's benefit amount; and (C) the amount of those who receive benefits under this program that also receive benefits from 7004-0101, 7004-0108, 7004-9024 and 7004-9316 ..... $208,990,924

OFFICE OF HEALTH SERVICES.

Department of Public Health.

4510-0020 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $162,229 in retained revenues collected from fees charged by the food protection program for costs of said program; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $162,229

4510-0040 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $73,734 from fees assessed under chapter 111N of the General Laws for the regulation of all pharmaceutical and medical device companies that market their products in the commonwealth; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the

purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $73,734

4510-0100 For the administration and operation of the department of public health, including the personnel support of programmatic staff within the department, including the health statistics program, the operation of the registry of vital records and statistics and the cancer registry established under section 111B of chapter 111 of the General Laws; provided, that the department shall give specific consideration to additional monies available under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010, Public Law, 111-148 and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, Public Law 111-152 ..... $38,263,168

4510-0110 For community health center services; provided, that not less than $500,000 shall be expended on a statewide program of technical assistance to community health centers to be provided by a state primary care association qualified under section 330A(f)(1) of the Public Health Service Act, as codified at 42 U.S.C. section 254c(f)(1); and provided further, that not less than $1,000,000 shall be expended for the establishment of a Massachusetts gender affirming care access program to provide support to federally qualified health centers specializing in gender affirming care $10,398,660

4510-0112 For the department of public health to fund postpartum depression programs at community health centers in the cities of Holyoke, Lynn, Worcester, Fall River and Salem and the Jamaica Plain section of the city of Boston; provided, that should a community health center decline funding, unexpended funds shall be split equally between participating programs $860,000

4510-0600 For an environmental and community health hazards program, including control of radiation and nuclear hazards, consumer products protection, food and drugs, lead poisoning prevention under chapter 482 of the acts of 1993, lead-based paint inspections in day care facilities, inspection of radiological facilities, licensing of x-ray technologists and the administration of the bureau of climate and environmental health assessment under chapter 111F of the General Laws; provided, that the department may expend funds from this item to monitor, survey and inspect nuclear power reactors, including those now licensed by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission; and provided further, that not less than $292,035 shall be expended for the Argeo Paul Cellucci Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Registry established under section 25A of chapter 111 of the General Laws $8,748,881

4510-0615 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $2,259,189 from fees collected from licensing and inspecting users of radioactive material within the commonwealth under licenses presently issued by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission; provided, that the retained revenues may be used for the costs of both programs, including the compensation of employees; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may

incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $2,259,189

4510-0616 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $1,436,264 for a drug registration and monitoring program from retained revenues collected from fees charged to registered practitioners, including physicians, dentists, veterinarians, podiatrists and optometrists for controlled substance registration; provided, that funds may be expended from this item for the costs of personnel; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $1,436,264

4510-0710 For the operation of the bureau of health care safety and quality and the office of patient protection; provided, that services funded through this item shall include, but not be limited to, education, training, intervention, support, surveillance and evaluation; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the advancement of the prescription monitoring program and the maintenance and enhancement of prescription drug monitoring information exchange architecture to support interstate prescription drug monitoring data sharing; provided further, that the division shall be responsible for assuring quality of patient care provided by the commonwealth's health care facilities and services and for protecting the health and safety of patients who receive care and services in nursing homes, rest homes, clinical laboratories, clinics, institutions for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities and the mentally ill, hospitals and infirmaries, including the inspection of ambulance services; provided further, that investigators shall conduct investigations of abuse, neglect, mistreatment and misappropriation; provided further, that all investigators in the division of health care quality responsible for the investigations shall receive training by the Medicaid fraud control unit in the office of the attorney general; provided further, that not less than $500,000 shall be expended for South Shore Health to support its efforts to advance health equity and improve access for underserved communities; and provided further, that funds shall be expended for the full registration of practitioners, physician assistants and registered nurses authorized by the board of registration in nursing to practice in advanced practice nursing roles under section 7A of chapter 94C of the General Laws $17,500,545

4510-0712 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $5,900,000 in retained revenues collected from the licensure of health facilities and individuals applying for emergency medical technician licensure and recertification for program costs of the bureau of health care quality and improvement; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to

exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $5,900,000

4510-0721 For the operation and administration of the boards of registration for health professions licensure; provided, that funds shall be expended for the operation and administration of the boards of registration in nursing, pharmacy, dentistry, nursing home administrators, physician assistants, naturopathy, perfusionists, genetic counselors, community health workers and respiratory care $3,822,993

4510-0723 For the operation and administration of the board of registration in medicine and the committee on acupuncture $170,743

4510-0724 For the board of registration in medicine, including the physician profiles program; provided, that the board may expend revenues not to exceed $300,503 from new revenues associated with increased license and renewal fees $300,503

4510-0790 For regional emergency medical services; provided, that the regional emergency medical services councils, designated under 105 C.M.R. 170.101, and the central medical emergency direction centers that were in existence on January 1, 1992, shall remain the designated councils and central medical emergency direction centers $500,000

4510-3010 For a grant to the Down Syndrome program at the Children's Medical Center at the University of Massachusetts medical center based on the patient-centered medical home concept $150,000

4512-0103 For human immunodeficiency virus and acquired immune deficiency syndrome, or HIV/AIDS, services, programs and related services for persons affected by the associated conditions of viral hepatitis, sexually transmitted infections, tuberculosis and other infections of public health importance; provided, that funding shall be provided to proportionately serve each of the demographic groups afflicted by HIV/AIDS and associated conditions; provided further, that in compliance with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Public Law 111-148, the department of public health shall ensure that vendors delivering HIV/AIDS community testing and screening shall seek third-party reimbursement for said services; provided further, that the department shall ensure that at least the same level of services will be made available as in the previous fiscal year; and provided further, that no funds from this item shall be expended for disease research in fiscal year 2026 ..... $35,000,000

4512-0106 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $15,162,386 for the HIV Drug Assistance Program, or HDAP, from revenues received from pharmaceutical manufacturers participating in the section 340B rebate program of the Public Health Service Act, as codified in 42 U.S.C. section 256b, administered by the Health Resources and Services Administration and the Office of Pharmacy Affairs; provided, that such services shall include activities that would be eligible for coverage through the federal Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency Act, Public Law 101-381, with priority given to the human immunodeficiency virus and acquired immune deficiency syndrome drug assistance program; provided further, that any excess rebate revenue collected beyond the

ceiling of this appropriation shall be deposited in the General Fund; provided further, that services in an amount equivalent to the amount deposited in the General Fund shall be funded through item 4512-0103; and provided further, that the department may make expenditures from the start of each fiscal year from this item in anticipation of receipt of rebate revenues from pharmaceutical manufacturers $15,162,386

4512-0200 For the bureau of substance addiction services, including a program to reimburse driver alcohol education programs for services provided for court-adjudicated, indigent clients; provided, that the department of public health shall ensure that vendors providing methadone treatment shall seek third-party reimbursement for such services; provided further, that in order to support and strengthen public access to substance use disorder services, funds shall be expended to maintain programming including, but not limited to: (i) centralized intake capacity service under section 18 of chapter 17 of the General Laws; (ii) the number and type of facilities that provide treatment; and (iii) detoxification and clinical stabilization service beds in the public system; provided further, that funds shall be expended to preserve and expand the programs currently funded by the Massachusetts Access to Recovery, or MA-ATR, program; provided further, that funds shall be expended for opening 5 new recovery centers that are not currently funded by the department; provided further, that in selecting such centers, the department shall, to the maximum extent possible, ensure that no fewer than 3 of said centers shall serve gateway municipalities as defined under section 3A of chapter 23A of the General Laws; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the extended release of naltrexone program under section 158 of chapter 46 of the acts of 2015; provided further, that funds shall be expended to support municipalities utilizing grant funds from the Massachusetts Opioid Abuse Prevention Collaborative (MOAPC) grant program; provided further, that under section 236 of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as added by section 1 of chapter 332 of the acts of 2016, the department shall enhance data-sharing capabilities and collaborate across agencies to ensure coordination of services for newborns with neonatal abstinence syndrome; provided further, that funds shall be expended for a voluntary training and accreditation program for owners and operators of alcohol and drug-free housing under section 18A of said chapter 17; provided further, that funds shall be expended on MassAbility through an interagency service agreement with the bureau to support workforce development; provided further, that funds shall be expended for outpatient and mobile services for deaf/hard of hearing, and deaf/hard of hearing/blind individuals with substance use disorders; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the bureau to address the addiction treatment workforce crisis through outreach and recruitment efforts at local and regional educational institutions and vocational-technical high schools; provided further, that not less than $10,000,000 shall be spent for expanding low-threshold housing, employing a “Housing First” model, for homeless individuals with substance use and mental health disorders at risk of HIV; provided further, that funds shall be expended for substance use disorder step-down recovery services, known as level-B beds and services, and other critical recovery services with severely reduced capacity; provided further, that said funds shall be expended in the AA object class; provided further, that funds shall be expended for jail diversion programs primarily for nonviolent offenders with opioid or

opiate addiction to be procured by the department of public health; provided further, that each jail diversion program shall have not fewer than 60 beds and shall provide clinical assessment services to the respective courts, inpatient treatment for not more than 90 days and ongoing case management services for not more than 1 year; provided further, that individuals may be diverted to this or other programs by a district attorney in conjunction with the commissioner of probation if: (A) there is reason to believe that the individual being diverted suffers from an addiction to opiates or another substance use disorder; and (B) the diversion of the individual is clinically appropriate and consistent with established clinical and public safety criteria; provided further, that programs shall be established in separate counties in locations deemed suitable by the department of public health; provided further, that the department shall coordinate operations with the sheriffs, the district attorneys, the commissioner of probation and the department of correction; provided further, that funds shall be used to support the ongoing treatment needs of clients after 90 days for which there is no other payer; and provided further, that funds shall be expended for family intervention and care management services programs, a young adult treatment program and early intervention services for individuals who are dependent on or addicted to alcohol, controlled substances, or both alcohol and controlled substances $194,452,031

Marijuana Regulation Fund 81.43%
General Fund 18.57%

4512-0204 For the purchase, administration and training of first-responder and bystander naloxone distribution programs; provided, that funds shall be expended to maintain funding for first responder naloxone grants and bystander distribution in communities with high incidence of overdose; provided further, that the commissioner of public health may transfer funds between this item and item 4512-0200 as necessary under an allocation plan which shall detail the distribution of the funds to be transferred; provided further, that not less than 30 days prior to any such transfer, the commissioner shall submit the allocation plan to the house and senate committees on ways and means; and provided further, that not later than October 1, 2025, the department of public health shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the: (i) communities included in the program expansion; (ii) number of participants for each community; and (iii) amount of naloxone purchased and distributed, delineated by community $1,298,718

4512-0205 For grants and contracts with substance use programs to provide comprehensive prevention, intervention and recovery services $100,000

4512-0206 For the department of public health to coordinate a comprehensive statewide strategy, in partnership with municipalities, public health harm reduction organizations and other stakeholders to promote existing commonwealth harm reduction efforts, to foster a culture of harm reduction and to promote community-based harm reduction services as recommended by the harm reduction commission established under section 100 of chapter 208 of the acts of 2018 and to prioritize the health, safety and dignity of individuals who use substances as recommended by the commission on

methamphetamine and other stimulant use in the commonwealth established by section 131 of chapter 24 of the acts of 2021 ..... $6,478,000

4512-0225 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $500,000 for a compulsive gamblers' treatment program from unclaimed prize money held in the State Lottery and Gaming Fund, established in section 35 of chapter 10 of the General Laws, for more than 1 year from the date of the drawing when the unclaimed prize money was won and from the proceeds of a multi-jurisdictional lottery game under subsection (e) of section 24A of said chapter 10; provided, that the comptroller shall transfer the amount to the General Fund; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $500,000

4512-2022 For grants to local and regional boards of health; provided, that funds shall be expended to support the state action for public health excellence program established in section 27D of chapter 111 of the General Laws; provided further, that the department of public health shall prioritize a geographically equitable distribution; provided further, that funds shall be expended for a statewide data collection and reporting system, implementation of intermunicipal shared service agreements and capacity building for local and regional boards of health; and provided further, that not later than February 3, 2026, the department shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the: (i) recipients, their locations and amount per recipient; and (ii) dates that funds were released to said recipients..... $9,232,015

4513-0999 For a public information campaign to educate and promote awareness to pharmacies and the public about individual's eligibility to receive a 12-month prescription for contraceptives in the commonwealth; provided, that information shall include availability of a 12-month supply of contraceptives; and provided further, that the commissioner of public health shall partner with insurers, pharmacies, relevant advocacy organizations and employers to ensure the campaign reaches pharmacists, clinicians and individuals eligible to receive a 12-month prescription for contraceptives in the commonwealth $500,000

4513-1001 For grants to support improvements in reproductive health access, infrastructure and security, including grants to: (i) Tides for Reproductive Freedom, Incorporated; (ii) Abortion Rights Fund of Western Massachusetts, Incorporated; and (iii) Eastern Massachusetts Abortion Fund, Incorporated; provided, that not later than March 3, 2026, the department of public health shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (A) the grant distribution methodology; (B) a list of grants applicants; and (C) a list of successful grants applicants, including the amounts awarded and the projects being supported by the grants..... $1,980,000

4513-1002 For women, infants and children, or WIC, nutrition services in addition to funds received under the federal nutrition program; provided, that funds from this item shall supplement federal funds to enable federally

eligible women, infants and children to be served through the WIC program..... $15,495,096

4513-1005 For the provision of family and adolescent health services including, but not limited to, comprehensive sexual and reproductive health services, the birth defects monitoring program and adolescent sexuality education; provided, that not less than $14,749,060 shall be expended for family health services; provided further, that not less than $7,831,000 of said funds shall be expended for comprehensive family planning services, including HIV counseling and testing, community-based health education and outreach services provided by agencies certified as comprehensive family planning agencies; provided further, that not less than $6,700,000 shall be expended for comprehensive family planning services previously funded by Title X Family Planning funding due to restrictions applied federally; provided further, that funds may be expended for the program's critical congenital heart defects screening activities; provided further, that funds may be expended for the birth defects monitoring program; provided further, that not less than $3,250,940 shall be expended for teenage pregnancy prevention services; provided further, that applications for pregnancy prevention funds shall be administered through the department of public health upon receipt and approval of coordinated community service plans to be evaluated under the guidelines issued by the department; provided further, that portions of the grants may be used for state agency purchases of designated services identified by the community service plans; provided further, that funding shall be expended on those communities with the highest teen birth rates according to an annual statistical estimate conducted by the department; provided further, that funds shall be expended on programming directed at children under the care of the department of children and families who are at high risk for teenage pregnancy; and provided further, that the department shall collaborate with the department of children and families on said programming $26,319,064

4513-1012 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $28,600,000 from retained revenues received from federal cost-containment initiatives including, but not limited to, infant formula rebates; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system..... $28,600,000

4513-1020 For the early intervention program; provided, that the department of public health shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the total number of units of service purchased and the total expenditures for the units of service paid by the department, the executive office of health and human services and third-party payers for early intervention services for the following service categories: (i) home visit; (ii) center-based individual; (iii) child-focused group; (iv) parent-focused group; and (v) screening and assessment; provided further, that the department shall make all reasonable efforts to secure third-party and Medicaid reimbursements for the services funded in this item; provided further, that funds from

this item shall be expended to provide respite services to families of children enrolled in early intervention programs who have complex care requirements, multiple disabilities and extensive medical and health needs; provided further, that priority shall be given to low-income and moderate-income families; provided further, that not later than January 30, 2026, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the number of families served by the program and the amount of funds appropriated in this item granted to qualified families; provided further, that no claim for reimbursement made on behalf of an uninsured person shall be paid from this item until the program receives notice of a denial of eligibility for the MassHealth program from the executive office of health and human services; provided further, that MassHealth shall cover the costs incurred for the transportation of MassHealth members who participate in the early intervention program; provided further, that nothing in this item shall give rise to, or shall be construed as giving rise to, enforceable legal rights to any such services or an enforceable entitlement to the early intervention services funded in this item; provided further, that not less than 180 days prior to any change to current eligibility criteria, the department shall provide written notification to the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that no eligibility changes shall be made before April 1, 2026; provided further, that funds in this item may be used to pay for current and prior year claims; provided further, that the department shall provide services to eligible children through 1 service delivery model and shall not determine eligibility for services based on family insurance status; provided further, that not less than $12,000,000 shall be expended from this item for early intervention staffing recovery payments necessary to address the staffing crisis and restore early intervention staffing and service hours through hiring, rehiring and retention of clinical and support staff across the early intervention system; provided further, that said funds shall be used to support increased salaries, wages and benefits for early intervention clinicians and support staff; provided further, that said funds may be used to cover supervision, training, non-billable time and other on-boarding costs directly associated with the hiring of new early intervention clinicians and support staff; provided further, that said staffing recovery payments shall be distributed by the department as payment vouchers to all vendors of certified early intervention programs; provided further, that said payments shall be made on a proportional basis, calculated using the most recent early intervention child counts of the department; provided further, that not later than October 3, 2025, the department of public health shall submit a report to the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities, the secretary of administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the total funds expended to certified early intervention vendors from said staffing recovery payments; provided further, that not less than $1,548,522 of said staffing recovery payments shall be designated as a health equity allocation to provide additional targeted relief for early intervention programs serving predominately low-income cities and towns to address the health disparities exacerbated by the 2019 novel coronavirus; provided further, that said health equity allocation shall be distributed by the department to all vendors of certified early intervention programs using a weighted formula that includes the area median household income of the cities and towns in each of the early

intervention program catchment areas and the current early intervention child census figure for each city or town; provided further, that the department shall provide a higher cost per child allocation for programs based on a weighted average income figure to ensure a higher allocation for the early intervention programs serving the lower income cities and towns; provided further, that the department shall develop the health equity allocation formula in consultation with the Massachusetts Early Intervention Consortium, Inc.; and provided further, that not later than November 3, 2025, the commissioner of public health shall submit a report to the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities, the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the total funds expended to certified early intervention vendors and early intensive behavioral intervention vendors from this item $37,719,649

4513-1026 For the provision of statewide and community-based suicide prevention, intervention, post-intervention and surveillance activities and the implementation of a statewide suicide prevention plan; provided, that funds shall be expended for a program to address elder suicide behavior and attempts with the geriatric mental health services program within the department of elder affairs; and provided further, that funds shall be expended for a veterans-in-crisis hotline to be used by veterans or concerned family members seeking counseling programs operated by the executive office of veterans' services so that they may be directed towards the programs and services offered by their local or regional veterans' services office to be staffed by counselors or outreach program personnel contracted by the department and trained in issues of mental health counseling and veterans' services $14,304,687

4513-1027 For The Samaritans, Inc.; provided, that funds shall be used for suicide prevention services $400,000

4513-1098 For the provision of statewide support services for survivors of homicide victims, including outreach services, burial assistance, grief counseling and other support services; provided, that funds shall be expended as grants in the aggregate amount of not less than $200,000 to the Louis D. Brown Peace Institute Corporation, a community-based support organization dedicated to serving families and communities impacted by violence; and provided further, that the Louis D. Brown Peace Institute Corporation shall establish and administer a process to distribute not less than $100,000 to the Massachusetts Survivors of Homicide Victims Network organizations throughout the commonwealth in the form of grants $500,000

4513-1112 For the prevention and management of chronic diseases and their associated risk factors, including, but not limited to, the Massachusetts Tobacco Cessation and Prevention Program and oral health services and programs; provided, that funds shall be provided for dental health services; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the comprehensive dental program for adults with developmental disabilities; provided further, that $3,368,962 shall be expended for the promotion of health and disease prevention including, but not limited to: (i) breast cancer prevention; (ii) diabetes screening and outreach; (iii) ovarian cancer screening; (iv) hepatitis C prevention and

management; (v) multiple sclerosis screening, information, education and treatment programs and the Multiple Sclerosis Home Living Independently Navigating Key Services program administered by the Greater New England Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society; (vi) colorectal cancer prevention; (vii) prostate cancer screening, education and treatment with a particular focus on individuals with African-American, Hispanic or Latino heritage, family history of the disease and other individuals at high risk; (viii) osteoporosis education; and (ix) maintenance of the statewide lupus database; provided further, that funding shall be expended for Mass in Motion community grants in an amount not less than the amount expended in fiscal year 2025, contingent upon receipt of matching federal prevention block grant funds; provided further, that not less than $250,000 shall be expended for a grant to a statewide Alzheimer's disease advocacy and education organization for a public awareness and education campaign as recommended by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for education and support of patients diagnosed with phenylketonuria or related disorders and their families through a grant to the New England Connection for PKU and Allied Disorders, Inc.; and provided further, that funds shall be expended for smoking prevention and cessation programs, including youth tobacco use prevention and cessation programs..... $12,457,534

4513-1136 For sexual assault and domestic violence services; provided, that not less than $7,900,449 shall be expended for a statewide sexual assault nurse examiner program and pediatric sexual assault nurse examiner program for the care of victims of sexual assault; provided further, that the program shall operate under specific statewide protocols and by an on-call system of nurse examiners; provided further, that not less than $2,500,000 shall be expended for children's advocacy centers, including those previously funded through item 4800-0038 in prior fiscal years, and for services for child victims of sexual abuse and assault; provided further, that the department shall allocate available funding, above the amounts required to maintain not less than the prior year funding levels for each center, among the 12 accredited centers in a manner to promote equity in the services available to child victims of sexual abuse, assault and trafficking across the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than $950,000 shall be expended for the support of the statewide delivery system of children's advocacy centers with funding administered by the Massachusetts Children's Alliance, Inc.; provided further, that not later than January 30, 2026, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the grants awarded to each center; (ii) the number of individuals served by each center receiving funding; and (iii) recommendations on how to improve the availability and delivery of services through these centers; provided further, that not less than $56,084,884 shall be expended for domestic violence and sexual assault prevention and survivor services, including: (A) intimate partner abuse education, formerly known as the batterers intervention services; (B) services for immigrants and refugees; (C) rape crisis center survivor services and prevention; and (D) intervention services and crisis housing for sexual violence and intimate partner violence in the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning communities; provided further, that funds shall be expended for rape prevention and victim services,

including the statewide Spanish language hotline, community-based domestic violence response, emergency and transitional residential services for sexual and domestic victims and their children and supervised visitation and trauma services for children who witness violence and targeted services for department of children and families-involved families; provided further, that the department of public health shall ensure that there shall not be a disruption in survivor services and violence prevention activities or a negative impact on program functioning during fiscal year 2026; provided further, that not less than $1,000,000 shall be expended for a domestic violence and sexual assault prevention program focused on teens in high-risk communities; provided further, that said programming shall be aimed at promoting healthy relationships and addressing teen dating violence for teens of all sexualities and genders; provided further, that the department shall partner with domestic violence and sexual assault service providers, other community-based organizations or school-based organizations to develop evidence-based and outcomes-focused prevention strategies; provided further, that the program shall prioritize funding for schools and communities in which the majority of students are eligible for free or reduced lunch; provided further, that at least 1 program shall operate in a municipality with a population of 25,000 or less; and provided further, that said funds may be expended for a competitive grant program $74,786,841

4513-2020 For funding to increase behavioral health outreach, access and support; provided, that the department of public health, in consultation with the department of mental health and the department of elementary and secondary education, shall expend not less than $3,532,000 for a program to increase student access to behavioral telehealth services in schools; provided further, that not later than June 30, 2026, the department of public health shall report to the joint committee on mental health, substance use and recovery and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the: (i) number of students participating in the program; (ii) frequency with which students use the program; (iii) cost of the services provided, including the use of support staff; and (iv) manner in which costs have been supported by third-party reimbursement; provided further, that the department of higher education, in consultation with the department of mental health, shall expend not less than $500,000 for a mental health workforce pipeline program to encourage a culturally, ethnically and linguistically diverse behavioral health workforce through collaboration between colleges and behavioral health providers; provided further, that not later than April 1, 2026, the department of higher education shall report to the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate, the joint committee on higher education, the joint committee on mental health, substance use and recovery and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (A) a description of the community partners in the pilot; (B) a summary of post-program employment or continuing education of participating students; and (C) any recommendations on ways to further encourage a culturally, ethnically and linguistically diverse behavioral health workforce; provided further, that not less than $2,500,000 shall be expended to address emergency department mental and behavioral health boarding through staffing investments and rate incentives associated with fully operationalizing inpatient mental health acute care beds and intensive inpatient psychiatric

beds, intensive community-based acute treatment, community-based acute treatment and partial hospitalization capacity; provided further, that said grants may be utilized to maintain rate incentives for beds made operational in calendar year 2023; provided further, that priority shall be given to grants that support services and staff needs for children and adolescents; provided further, that staffing investments shall include sufficient funding for culturally and linguistically competent workforce recruitment, retention and training including, but not limited to, loan repayment programs and hiring and retention incentives to support the full spectrum of hospital-based behavioral health providers including, but not limited to, psychiatrists, mental health workers, social workers, registered nurses, certified nursing assistants and sitters; provided further, that priority shall be given to grants that support new beds that would be located in underserved areas of the commonwealth; and provided further, that funds may be expended for investments in crisis stabilization services for patients who are boarding, including, but not limited to, de-escalation training for clinical and ancillary staff..... $9,291,127

4516-0263 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $1,296,253 in retained revenues from blood lead testing fees collected from insurers and individuals for the purpose of conducting such tests; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $1,296,253

4516-1000 For the operation of the bureau of infectious disease and laboratory sciences, including infectious disease surveillance and the state public health laboratory; provided, that funds shall be expended for an eastern equine encephalitis testing program and for tuberculosis testing and treatment services; provided further, that the department of public health shall ensure that vendors delivering tuberculosis clinical services and treatment shall seek third-party reimbursement for such services; provided further, that no funds appropriated in this item shall be expended for administrative, space or energy expenses of the department that are not directly related to personnel or programs funded in this item; provided further, that not less than $2,657,020 shall be expended for the operation of the universal immunization program; provided further, that all costs related to childhood vaccines shall be paid for through the Vaccine Purchase Trust Fund established in section 24N of chapter 111 of the General Laws; and provided further, that not later than September 16, 2025, the department shall submit a report to the joint committee on public health and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (i) the current departmental recommendations for the commonwealth's vaccine distribution plan, including the role of local boards of health; (ii) the current state of implementing the plan; (iii) any anticipated state investments necessary to carry out the plan; and (iv) the department's plan to improve vaccine distribution coordination efforts with local boards of health $31,935,715

4516-1005 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $1,086,835 generated by fees collected from providers or insurers for sexually transmitted infections testing performed at the state public health laboratory; provided, that collected retained revenues may be used to supplement the costs of the laboratory; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system..... $1,086,835

4516-1010 For state matching funds required by the federal Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act, Public Law 109-417..... $1,534,191

4516-1022 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $364,592 generated by fees collected from insurers and providers for tuberculosis tests performed at the state public health laboratory; provided, that collected retained revenues may be used to supplement the costs of the laboratory; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system..... $364,592

4516-1037 For the department of public health, which may expend for the implementation of chapter 111O of the General Laws and rules and regulations promulgated thereunder not more than $49,569 in retained revenues collected from application fees for approval of mobile integrated health care programs and renewals thereof and from fines and penalties imposed by the department on mobile integrated health care programs; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $49,569

4516-1039 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $5,500,000 in retained revenues collected from application fees under section 25C of chapter 111 of the General Laws to support the operations of the determination of need program and health care facility plan review within the department; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $5,500,000

4518-0200 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $2,362,875 generated by fees collected from services provided

at the registry of vital records and statistics, including: (i) amendments of vital records and requests for vital records not issued in person at the registry; (ii) requests for heirloom certificates; and (iii) research requests performed by registry staff at the registry; provided, that collected retained revenues may be used for all program costs, including the compensation of employees; provided further, that the registrar of vital records and statistics shall exempt from payment of a fee any person requesting a verification of birth to establish eligibility for Medicaid; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $2,362,875

4590-0250 For school health services and school-based health centers in public and nonpublic schools; provided, that not less than $3,000,000 shall be expended for mental health services in public and nonpublic schools; provided further, that funds shall be distributed to public and nonpublic schools based on the percentage of students in the commonwealth enrolled in each; provided further, that services shall include, but not be limited to: (i) strengthening the infrastructure of school health services in the areas of personnel and policy development, programming and interdisciplinary collaboration; (ii) developing linkages between school health services programs and community health providers; (iii) incorporating health education programs, including tobacco prevention and cessation activities, in school curricula and in the provision of school-based health services; and (iv) incorporating obesity prevention programs, including nutrition and wellness programs, in school curricula, to address the nutrition and lifestyle habits needed for healthy development; provided further, that funds shall be expended for school nurses and school-based health center programs; provided further, that funds shall be expended for mental health services in public and nonpublic schools; and provided further, that funds may be expended to address the recommendations of the commission on lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning youth established in section 67 of chapter 3 of the General Laws for the reduction of health disparities for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning youth. $22,123,088

4590-0912 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $29,555,584 from reimbursements collected for western Massachusetts hospital services, subject to the approval of the commissioner of public health; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Western Massachusetts hospital shall be eligible to receive and retain full payment under the medical assistance program administered by the executive office of health and human services under chapter 118E of the General Laws for all goods and services provided by the hospital under federal requirements; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this

authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $29,555,584

4590-0913 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $1,548,538 for payments received for those services provided by the Lemuel Shattuck hospital to incarcerated persons from county correctional facilities; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $1,548,538

4590-0915 For the maintenance and operation of Tewksbury hospital, Pappas Rehabilitation Hospital for Children, Lemuel Shattuck hospital and the hospital bureau, including the state office of pharmacy services; provided, that reimbursements received for medical services provided at the Lemuel Shattuck hospital to incarcerated persons from houses of correction not managed by private health care vendors shall be credited to item 4590-0903 of section 2B; and provided further, that the department shall seek to obtain federal financial participation for care provided to incarcerated persons of the department of correction and county correctional facilities who are treated at the public health hospitals..... $217,025,473

4590-0917 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $5,180,049 from payments received from the vendor managing health services for state correctional facilities for medical services for incarcerated persons provided by the Lemuel Shattuck hospital; provided, that the payments may include capitation payments, fee-for-service payments, advance payments and other compensation arrangements established by contracts between the vendor and the hospital; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $5,180,049

4590-0918 For the state office of pharmacy services, which may expend not more than $39,995,927 from retained revenues collected from vendors providing health care services to the department of correction; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department of public health may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system..... $39,995,927

4590-0924 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $2,226,357 from reimbursements collected by Tewksbury hospital based on a revenue enhancement project to obtain Medicaid coverage for patients whose services are not currently being

reimbursed; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $2,226,357

4590-0925 For the costs of a prostate cancer awareness, education and research program focusing on men with African-American, Hispanic or Latino heritage, family history of the disease and other men at high risk; provided, that the department of public health shall oversee and manage said program and shall grant not less than 85 per cent of funds from this item to the AdMeTech Foundation-led Prostate Cancer Action Council, which shall leverage existing partnerships with other state-funded nonprofit research organizations and current and past federally-funded, state-funded and privately-funded prostate cancer programs aimed at saving lives, improving quality of life and reducing health care costs $1,250,000

4590-0930 For price reductions for municipalities purchasing naloxone through the municipal naloxone bulk purchase program $1,404,000

4590-1503 For the provision of statewide support services for maternal, child and family health activities to pregnant people, parents, caregivers, infants, children and youth, including those with special health needs to maintain the public health infrastructure necessary for promoting racially equitable, evidence-based, data-informed and family-engaged services and programs; provided, that not less than $296,297 shall be expended for the universal newborn hearing screening program; provided further, that funds appropriated in this item shall be expended for the notification of and follow through with affected families, primary care providers and early intervention programs upon the department of public health's receipt of data indicative of potential hearing disorders in newborns; provided further, that not less than $9,940,000 shall be expended for the pediatric palliative care program established in section 24K of chapter 111 of the General Laws; provided further, that notwithstanding said section 24K of said chapter 111, children less than 22 years of age shall be eligible for this program; and provided further, that funds shall be expended for universal newborn hearing screening and perinatal-neonatal quality improvement..... $13,149,400

4590-1504 For a neighborhood-based gun and violent crime prevention pilot program for targeted work with out-of-school youth and young adults aged 17 to 24, inclusive, intended to prevent gun violence and other violent crime in neighborhoods and municipalities with the highest rates of violent crime in the commonwealth; provided, that funds shall be awarded in consultation with the executive office of public safety and security and the department of elementary and secondary education; provided further, that funds shall be awarded to nonprofit, community-based organizations located in and serving high risk youth in eligible communities; provided further, that preference shall be given to organizations that have: (i) demonstrated street outreach capacity; (ii) effective partnerships with neighborhood health and human services agencies, including mental health providers and with schools and other local educational institutions; and (iii) clearly

outlined a comprehensive plan in support of continued or expanded collaboration efforts with such partners, including data related to measurable outcomes of successful partner collaboration; provided further, that eligible expenses for such grants shall include, but not be limited to, case workers, mental health counselors, academic supports and other research-based practices and related support services; provided further, that the department shall ensure that every grant recipient establishes measurable outcomes in its comprehensive plan and provides data related to those outcomes that demonstrate program success; provided further, that preference shall be given to proposals that demonstrate coordination with programs and services funded through items 4000-0005, 7061-0010 and 7061-9612; provided further, that the department shall allocate funding to support training and technical assistance for all grantees; provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the department shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance, the joint committee on public health, the joint committee on public safety and homeland security, the joint committee on education and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the awarding of grants and details of anticipated contracts by district; provided further, that the department shall further report on the effectiveness of the program, including but not limited to: (A) any measurable data-driven results; (B) which strategies and collaborations have most effectively reduced gun and other violence in the grantee neighborhoods; (C) how spending through this item has been aligned with spending from items 4000-0005, 7061-0010 and 7061-9612 in ways that enhance public safety while avoiding programmatic duplication; and (D) what efforts have been taken by the nonprofit community and municipalities to ensure the long-term viability of the reforms funded by the pilot program; and provided further, that copies of the report shall be provided to: (1) the joint committee on public safety and homeland security; (2) the joint committee on public health; (3) the joint committee on education; and (4) the house and senate committees on ways and means not later than September 2, 2026 ..... $10,091,186

4590-1506 For a competitive grant program to be administered by the department of public health to support the establishment of a comprehensive youth violence prevention program; provided, that eligibility shall be determined by the criteria set forth in item 4590-1506 of section 2 of chapter 182 of the acts of 2008; provided further, that no grants shall be awarded to law enforcement agencies; and provided further, that funds shall be considered one-time and grants shall not annualize in fiscal year 2027 ..... $4,021,326

4590-1507 For competitively procured grants to youth at-risk programs utilizing an evidence-based positive youth development model, including programs that serve lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning youth $7,081,500

4590-2001 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $4,334,319 of payments received for services provided by Tewksbury hospital to clients of the department of developmental services, including for the provision of behavioral health services and the continuation of short-term medical rehabilitation for clients of the department of developmental services; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of

accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department of public health may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $4,334,319

OFFICE OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES.

Department of Children and Families.

4800-0015 For central and area office administration and service coordination of the department of children and families; provided, that the associated expenses of employees whose AA and DD object class costs are paid from item 4800-1100 shall be paid from this item; provided further, that the commissioner of the department of children and families may transfer funds between items 4800-0030, 4800-0038, 4800-0040 and 4800-0041 as necessary, pursuant to an allocation plan, which shall detail by object class the distribution of the funds to be transferred and which the commissioner shall file with the house and senate committees on ways and means 30 days prior to any such transfer; provided further, that not more than 5 per cent of any item shall be transferred in fiscal year 2026; provided further, that the commissioner may transfer funds from line item 4800-1100 into line item 4800-0015 for the purpose of maintaining appropriate staffing ratios; provided further, that the commissioner shall notify the house and senate committees on ways and means 30 days in advance of any such transfer; provided further, that not more than 2 per cent of funds from line item 4800-1100 shall be transferred in fiscal year 2026; provided further, that no funds shall be expended from this item for the compensation of unit 8 employees; provided further, that the department of children and families shall not place a child or adolescent referred by, or discharged from, the care of the department of mental health until the department of mental health forwards an assessment and recommendation as to whether the child or adolescent may be appropriately placed in foster care or if, due to severe emotional disturbance, such child or adolescent is more appropriate for congregate care placement; provided further, that the department of children and families shall assist the department of mental health in making such assessments and recommendations; provided further, that if the placement of a child with someone other than a parent becomes necessary, the department of children and families shall place the highest priority on identifying a family resource within the child's kinship or family circle and shall provide services and support to partner with the family resource in meeting the child's needs; provided further, that unless otherwise authorized, all funds including federal reimbursements received by the department of children and families shall be credited to the General Fund, except for federal reimbursement used to support revenue maximization projects; provided further, that the department of children and families and the department of early education and care shall provide standards for early education and care placements made through the supportive child care program; provided further, that the department of children and families, in collaboration with the department of early education and care, shall maintain a centralized list detailing the number of children eligible for supportive child care services, the

number of supportive slots filled and the number of supportive slots available; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the department of children and families shall not reduce recoupment amounts recommended by the state auditor; provided further, that there shall not be a waiting list for the services; provided further, that all children eligible for services under item 3000-3060 shall receive those services; provided further, that the department of children and families shall maintain a timely, independent and fair administrative hearing system; provided further, that not later than December 2, 2025, and February 27, 2026, the department of children and families shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities on: (i) the fair hearing requests filed in fiscal year 2026, using non-identifying information, which shall state, for each hearing request: (A) the subject matter of the appeal; (B) the number of days between the hearing request and the first day of the hearing; (C) the number of days between the first day of the hearing and the hearing officer's decision; (D) the number of days between the hearing officer's decision and the agency's final decision; (E) the number of days of continuance granted at the appellant's request; (F) the number of days of continuance granted at the request of the department of children and families or the hearing officer's request, specifying which party made the request; and (G) whether the department's decision that was the subject of the appeal was affirmed or reversed; and (ii) the fair hearing requests filed before fiscal year 2026, which have been pending for more than 180 days, stating the number of those cases, how many of those cases have been heard but not decided and how many have been decided by the hearing officer but not yet issued as a final agency decision; provided further, that the department of children and families shall maintain and make available to the public, during regular business hours, a record of its fair hearings, with personal identifying information removed, including for each hearing request: (i) the date of the request; (ii) the date of the hearing decision; (iii) the decision rendered by the hearing officer; and (iv) the final decision rendered upon the commissioner of children and families' review; provided further, that the department shall make redacted copies of fair hearing decisions available within 30 days of a written request; provided further, that the department of children and families shall not make available any information in violation of federal privacy regulations; provided further, that not later than February 27, 2026, the department of children and families shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities that shall include, but not be limited to, the: (1) number of medical and psychiatric personnel and their level of training currently employed by or under contract with the department; (2) number of foster care reviews conducted by the department and the average length of time in which each review was completed; (3) number of social workers and supervisors who have earned a bachelor's or master's degree in social work; (4) total number of social workers and the total number of social workers holding licensure, by level; (5) number of the department's contracts reviewed by the state auditor and the number of corrective action plans issued; and (6) number of corrective action plans entered into by the department; provided further, that the department of children and families shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on children,

families and persons with disabilities on the caseload of the department; provided further, that the report shall include, but not be limited to: (A) the caseloads of residential placements, congregate care, foster care, therapeutic foster care, adoption, guardianship, 51A reports, substantiated 51A reports, the number of children who die in the care and custody of the department, the number of children currently eligible for supportive child care, the number of children presently receiving supportive child care and the number of medical and psychiatric consultation requests made by the department's social workers; (B) the number of approved foster care placements; (C) the number of children in psychiatric hospitals and community-based acute treatment programs who remain hospitalized beyond their medically necessary stay while awaiting placement and the number of days each case remains in placement beyond that which is medically necessary; (D) the number of children in the department of children and families' care and custody who are receiving medical or psychiatric care provided through other publicly-funded sources; (E) the number of children served by supervised visitation centers and the number of those children who are reunified with their families; (F) the total number of children served, their ages, the number of children served in each service plan, the number of children in out-of-home placements and the number of placements each child has had before receiving an out-of-home placement; (G) for each area office, the number of kinship guardianship subsidies provided in the quarters covered by the report and the number of kinship guardianship subsidies provided in that quarter for which federal reimbursement was received; (H) for each area office, the total spending on services other than case management services provided to families to keep a child with the child's parents or reunifying the child with the child's parents, spending by the type of service including, but not limited to, the number of children and a breakdown of spending for respite care, intensive in-home services, client financial assistance and flexible funding, community-based after-school social and recreation program services, family navigation services and parent aide services and the unduplicated number of families that receive the services; (I) for each area office, the total number of families residing in shelters paid for by the department, a list of where the families are sheltered, the total cost and average cost per family at those shelters and a description of how the department determines who qualifies or does not qualify for a shelter; (J) for each area office, the number of requests for voluntary services, broken down by type of service requested, whether the request was approved or denied, the number of families that were denied voluntary services and received a 51A report, the reasons for denying such services and what, if any, referrals were made for services by other agencies or entities; (K) the number of families receiving multiple 51A reports within a 10-month period, the number of cases reopened within 6 months of being closed and the number of children who return home and then reenter an out-of-home placement within 6 months; (L) the number of children and families served by the family resource centers, by area; and (M) the number of children in the care and custody of the department whose whereabouts are unknown; provided further, that not later than January 30, 2026, the department of children and families shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities that details any changes to the rules, regulations or guidelines established by the department in the

previous fiscal year to carry out its duties under chapter 119 of the General Laws including, but not limited to: (I) criteria used to determine whether a child has been abused or neglected; (II) guidelines for removal of a child from the home; and (III) standards to determine what reasonable efforts are being made to keep a child in the home; provided further, that on a monthly basis, the department of children and families shall provide the caseload forecasting office with data on children receiving services, young adults receiving services as defined in section 21 of said chapter 119, who continue to receive services as set forth in subsection (f) of section 23 of said chapter 119 and other pertinent data related to items 4800-0038 and 4800-0041 that is requested by the office; provided further, that the report shall also contain the number of children and families served by the family resource centers, by area, and an evaluation of the services provided and their effectiveness; provided further, that to the extent feasible within existing appropriations, the department of children and families shall maintain existing services for the aging-out population; provided further, that the commissioner of children and families may transfer funds from item 4800-1100 into item 4800-0015 for the purpose of maintaining appropriate staffing ratios under the memorandum of agreement between the commonwealth and the Alliance/Local 509, SEIU signed on March 25, 2013; provided further, that not less than 15 days in advance of any such transfer, the commissioner shall notify the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that not more than 2 per cent of said funds from item 4800-1100 shall be transferred in fiscal year 2026; provided further, that the commissioner may transfer funds between items 4800-0030, 4800-0038, 4800-0040 and 4800-0041 for services only and, as necessary, under an allocation plan, which shall detail, by object class, the distribution of the funds to be transferred; provided further, that transfers shall not be made for administrative costs; provided further, that not less than 15 days in advance of any such transfer, the commissioner shall notify the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that not more than 5 per cent of any item shall be transferred in fiscal year 2026; and provided further, that funds shall be expended for a unit to help identify at-risk youth and provide preventative services and to implement a missing or absent youth recovery response policy $157,866,916

4800-0016 For the department of children and families, which may expend for the operation of the transitional employment program not more than $2,000,000 from retained revenues collected from various state, county and municipal government entities and state authorities for the costs related to the provision of services by the participants and the overhead costs and expenses incurred by the not-for-profit managing agent selected by the commissioner of children and families for administering the program; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the commissioner may enter into a contract with Roca, Inc. to manage the transitional employment program and to provide services to participants from the aging out population, parolees, probationers, youth service releasees and other community residents considered to have employment needs $2,000,000

4800-0025 For foster care review services $5,533,263

4800-0030 For the continuation of local and regional administration and coordination of services provided by lead agencies through purchase-of-service contracts, including flex services $11,089,960

4800-0036 For a sexual abuse intervention network program to be administered in conjunction with the district attorneys $991,584

4800-0038 For guardianship, foster care, adoption, family preservation and kinship services provided by the department of children and families; provided, that services funded through this item shall include shelter services, substance use treatment, young parent programs, parent aides, education and counseling services, foster care, adoption and guardianship subsidies, tiered reimbursements used to promote the foster care placement of children with special medical and social needs, assessment of the appropriateness of adoption for children in the care of the department for more than 12 months, protective services provided by partnership agencies, targeted recruitment and retention of foster families, respite care services, post-adoption services and support services for foster, kinship and adoptive families and juvenile fire setter programs and services for people at risk of domestic violence, including payroll costs; provided further, that funds may be expended on programs that received funding in fiscal year 2013; provided further, that funds may be expended to support reforms at the department to improve foster care and placement stability and to ensure positive permanency outcomes for children; and provided further, that the department may contract with provider agencies for the coordination and management of services, including flex services $347,457,804

4800-0040 For family preservation, reunification and service coordination; provided, that services shall include family support and stabilization services provided by the department of children and families $125,486,736

4800-0041 For congregate care services; provided, that funds may be expended from this item to provide community based services, including in-home support and stabilization services to children who would otherwise be placed in congregate settings; and provided further, that the department of children and families shall oversee area review teams that shall evaluate the feasibility of maintaining the child in the community in this manner whenever possible before recommending placement in a congregate care setting $463,750,089

4800-0058 For the support of a foster care campaign to recruit new foster parents; provided, that not later than April 1, 2026, the department of children and families shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities that shall include, but not be limited to, the: (i) number of new foster care parents as a result of the foster care campaign; and (ii) methods in which the department is recruiting foster care parents $975,000

4800-0091 For the department of children and families, which may expend not more than $5,035,427 in federal reimbursements received under Title IV-E of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 670 et. seq. during fiscal year 2026 to develop a training institute for professional development

at the department; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, federal reimbursements received in excess of $5,035,427 shall be credited to the General Fund $5,035,427

4800-0200 For the support and maintenance of family resource centers throughout the commonwealth $28,221,665

4800-1100 For the AA and DD object class costs of the department of children and families' social workers; provided, that funds shall mitigate social worker caseloads in those area offices furthest above the statewide weighted caseload standard and towards achieving a social worker caseload ratio of 15 to 1 statewide; and provided further, that only employees of bargaining unit 8, as identified in the Massachusetts personnel administrative reporting and information system, shall be paid from this item $327,075,076

OFFICE OF HEALTH SERVICES.

Department of Mental Health.

5011-0100 For the operation of the department of mental health $36,270,883

5042-5000 For child and adolescent services, including the costs of psychiatric and related services provided to children and adolescents determined to be medically-ready for discharge from acute hospital units or mental health facilities and who are experiencing unnecessary delays in being discharged due to the lack of more appropriate settings; provided, that to fund said services, the commissioner of mental health may allocate funds from the amount appropriated in this item to other departments within the executive office of health and human services; provided further, that the department of mental health shall not refer or discharge a child or adolescent to the custody or care of the department of children and families until the department of mental health forwards its assessment and recommendation as to whether the child or adolescent is appropriate for foster care or, due to severe emotional disturbance, is more appropriate for group care; provided further, that not less than $9,800,000 shall be expended for an intensive residential treatment program; provided further, that not less than $5,200,000 shall be expended for a flexible support services program; provided further, that not less than $4,500,000 shall be expended for a program to provide assertive community treatment for individuals under the age of 22 who exhibit symptoms of serious emotional disturbance, demonstrate an inability to consistently use less intensive levels of care in the community and have functional impairment and a history of difficulty in functioning safely and successfully in community, school, home or workplace settings; provided further, that the program shall: (A) include a team-based approach to service delivery that tailors services to the specific needs

and acuity of each individual; (B) provide mental health services and social service assistance through a person-centered approach, which may include, but shall not be limited to, clinical assessment and outreach, medication treatment and outreach, care coordination including primary care, symptom management, harm reduction, family services, housing support and needs that arise in carrying out the acts of daily living; (C) be consistent, to the maximum extent possible, with the evidence-based practice standards for assertive community treatment as found in the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's assertive community treatment evidence-based practices kit; and (D) not limit program services to a specific physical location; provided further, that the department of mental health shall expend not less than $3,825,000 for the Massachusetts Child Psychiatry Access Project or MCPAP; provided further, that not less than $675,000 of that amount shall be expended for MCPAP for Moms statewide to address mental health concerns in pregnant and postpartum people and to expand support for pregnant and postpartum people by adding substance use disorder-specific education, training, consultation and care coordination to the project's existing capacity; provided further, that amounts expended from this item for MCPAP that are related to services provided on behalf of commercially-insured clients shall be assessed by the commissioner on surcharge payors, as defined in section 64 of chapter 118E of the General Laws, and shall be collected in a manner consistent with the department's regulations; provided further, that not later than March 13, 2026, the department shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on: (i) an overview of MCPAP care coordination efforts; (ii) the number of psychiatric consultations, face-to-face consultations and referrals made to specialists on behalf of children with behavioral health needs in fiscal year 2025 and fiscal year 2026; and (iii) recommendations to: (A) increase the number of specialists receiving referrals through MCPAP; (B) increase access to MCPAP in regions currently underutilizing the project; and (C) improve care coordination efforts to identify specialists available and accepting new child and adolescent patients, with priority to those children and adolescents who exhibit complex conditions and experience long wait lists for specialty psychiatry; and provided further, that not later than April 1, 2026, the department shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on: (1) the distribution of funds, delineated by initiative; (2) the number of individuals served; (3) the outcomes measured; and (4) recommendations for expanding cost-effective and evidence-based early mental health identification and prevention programming for children and adolescents in fiscal year 2026 and fiscal year 2027, prior appropriation continued $128,586,476

5046-0000 For adult mental health and support services; provided, that the department of mental health may allocate not more than $5,000,000 from item 5095-0015 to this item, as necessary, under allocation plans submitted to the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 30 days before any such transfer, for residential and day services for clients formerly receiving care at department facilities; provided further, that not later than February 5, 2026, the department shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the distribution of funds per adult and child planning population and the types of services received in each region in fiscal year 2026; provided further, that the department shall maintain in fiscal year 2026

the same amount of community-based placements as in the previous 3 fiscal years; provided further, that in fiscal year 2026, the department shall expend on clubhouses not less than the amount expended on clubhouses in fiscal year 2025; provided further, funds shall be expended for jail diversion programs in municipalities that provide equal matching funds from other public or private sources; provided further, that not later than December 16, 2025, the department shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means regarding the: (i) number of crisis intervention team and jail diversion efforts; (ii) amount of funding per grant, delineated by city, town or provider; (iii) potential savings achieved; (iv) recommendations for expansion; and (v) outcomes measured; and provided further, that not less than $250,000 shall be expended on the expansion of low threshold, safe haven housing for mentally ill men and women who have been chronically homeless and are currently living in emergency shelters or on the streets in Boston, prior appropriation continued $661,933,895

5046-2000 For homelessness services $26,709,879

5046-4000 For the department of mental health, which may expend not more than $125,000 in retained revenues collected from occupancy fees charged to the tenants in the creative housing option in community environments, or CHOICE program under chapter 167 of the acts of 1987; provided, that all fees collected under said CHOICE program shall be expended for the routine maintenance and repair of facilities in said CHOICE program $125,000

5047-0001 For emergency service programs and acute inpatient mental health care services; provided, that the department of mental health shall require a performance specification to be developed for safe aftercare options for adults upon release from acute inpatient mental health care services; and provided further, that the emergency service programs shall take all reasonable steps to identify and invoice the third-party insurer of all persons serviced by the programs $22,231,296

Behavioral Health Outreach, Access and Support Trust Fund 52.24%
General Fund 47.76%

5055-0000 For forensic services provided by the department of mental health; provided, that not less than $1,500,000 shall be expended for juvenile court clinics $18,962,960

5095-0015 For the operation of hospital facilities and community-based mental health services; provided, that in order to comply with the decision in Olmstead v. L.C. ex rel. Zimring, 527 U.S. 581 (1999) and to enhance care for clients, the department of mental health shall discharge clients residing in inpatient facilities to residential services in the community if the following criteria are met: (i) the client is deemed clinically suited for a more integrated setting; (ii) the community residential service capacity and resources available are sufficient to provide each client with an equal or improved level of service; and (iii) the cost to the commonwealth of serving the client in the community is less than or equal to the cost of serving the client in inpatient care; provided further, that any client transferred to another inpatient facility as the result of a facility closure shall receive a level of care that is equal to or greater

than the care that had been provided at the closed facility; provided further, that the department may allocate funds of not more than $5,000,000 from this item to item 5046-0000, as necessary, under allocation plans submitted to the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 30 days before any transfer for residential and day services for clients formerly receiving inpatient care at the centers and facilities; provided further, that the department shall maintain not less than 671 inpatient beds in its system in fiscal year 2026; provided further, that of said 671 beds, 45 beds shall be continuing care inpatient beds on the campus of Taunton state hospital; and provided further, that within the existing appropriation, the department may operate more beds at Taunton state hospital $376,149,057

5095-0017 For the purposes of a loan forgiveness program for clinical behavioral health workers across the department of mental health; provided, that the department shall create a loan forgiveness and tuition reimbursement program for clinical behavioral health workers, including but not limited to nurse practitioners, psychologists, psychiatrists, peer counselors and behavioral health navigators; and provided further, that not later than September 30, 2025, the department of mental health shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (i) the framework and eligibility criteria of the program; (ii) the number of participants in the program; and (iii) the average amount forgiven per person in the program $5,000,000

Department of Developmental Services.

5911-1003 For the administration and operation of the department of developmental services; provided, that the department shall not charge user fees for transportation or community day services; provided further, that the department shall not charge fees for eligibility determination for services provided by the department or for applications or requests for transfer of guardianship; provided further, that regional employment collaboratives shall be funded at not less than the amount funded in fiscal year 2025; provided further, that the department shall issue a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means not later than February 20, 2026 detailing: (i) significant expense increases incurred by the department; (ii) measures implemented by the department to reduce costs; and (iii) improved outcomes in programs and services funded by the department; provided further, that the commissioner of developmental services may transfer funds between items 5920-2025, 5920-2000, 5911-2000 and 5920-3000; provided further, that the commissioner shall notify the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 30 days before any such transfer; provided further, that not less than $200,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Down Syndrome Congress, Inc.; and provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the Center for Autism and Neurodevelopmental Disorders at the University of Massachusetts memorial medical center and the University of Massachusetts medical school based on the patient-centered medical home concept $105,945,417

5911-2000 For transportation costs associated with community-based day and work programs; provided, that the department shall provide transportation, which shall be prioritized by need; and provided

further, that not more than $7,000,000 of additional funds provided in fiscal year 2026 shall be expended by the department on transportation related to the new day and service components developed through item 5920-2025 and on preparation for any increased service need that may occur during the fiscal year in response to increased vaccinations and any improvement in the public health emergency $47,172,062

5920-2000 For vendor-operated, community-based residential adult services, including intensive individual supports; provided, that annualized funding shall be expended for turning 22 clients who began receiving services in fiscal year 2024 under item 5920-5000 of section 2 of chapter 126 of the acts of 2022; provided further, that not later than February 27, 2026, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the use of shared-living services in the commonwealth, which shall include, but not be limited to, the: (i) number of clients living in shared-living placements, broken down by age and location; (ii) average cost of shared-living services; (iii) number of clients living in a shared-living placement with individuals they knew prior to the arrangement; (iv) department's oversight of the application and placement process; (v) safeguards in place for clients receiving these services; and (vi) potential for growth of the program; provided further, that the commissioner of developmental services may transfer funds from this item to item 5920-2010, as necessary, under an allocation plan that shall detail, by object class, the distribution of the funds to be transferred and that shall be submitted to the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 30 days before any such transfer; and provided further, that not more than $5,000,000 shall be transferred from this item in fiscal year 2026 ..... $2,018,989,676

5920-2003 For supportive technology and remote services for individuals served by the department of developmental services $5,280,717

5920-2010 For state-operated, community-based residential services for adults, including community-based health services $347,233,269

5920-2025 For community-based day and work programs and associated transportation costs for adults; provided, that the department of developmental services shall provide transportation, which shall be prioritized by need; provided further, that the department shall support individuals with disabilities who transitioned from employment services offered at sheltered workshops to community-based employment as part of the commonwealth's employment first initiative; provided further, that any public-private partnerships with employers and nonprofits shall encourage the highest level of independence among individuals with disabilities and shall provide options to maximize community involvement and participation; provided further, that not later than April 1, 2026, the department shall issue a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities detailing: (i) the number of eligible individuals employed in community-based employment in fiscal year 2025 and the number estimated for fiscal year 2026; (ii) the number and types of community-based employment partners; (iii) the outcomes measured; and (iv) recommendations for expansion; provided further, that the commissioner of developmental

services may transfer such funds from this item to items 5920-2000, 5911-2000, 5920-3000, 5920-5000 and 5930-1000; and provided further, that the commissioner shall notify the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 30 days before any such transfer $287,388,656

5920-3000 For respite services and intensive family supports..... $123,925,257

5920-3010 For contracted support services for families of children with autism through the autism division at the department of developmental services; provided, that the department shall expend not less than $5,500,000 to provide services under the children's autism spectrum disorder waiver under section 1915 of the Social Security Act; provided further, that the waiver shall include children with autism spectrum disorder ages 0 to 8, inclusive, including children with autism spectrum disorder ages 0 to 3, inclusive, who are receiving services through the department of public health's early intervention program; provided further, that the department of developmental services shall take all steps necessary to ensure that the waiver program is fully enrolled and that eligible children with autism immediately begin to receive services under said waiver; provided further, that the department shall immediately file any waiver amendment necessary with the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to comply with the requirements of this item; provided further, that not later than January 16, 2026, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means, the joint committee on education and the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities on: (i) the number of contracted support services provided for families with children with autism under this item; (ii) the costs associated with such services; (iii) the services provided by the children's autism spectrum disorder waiver, with information regarding the number of children enrolled in the waiver and receiving services; (iv) the linguistic and cultural diversity, age, gender and geographic representation of the applicants and the children enrolled in the program; (v) the department's plans to continue to assess the demand for waiver services; (vi) any plans by the executive office of health and human services to expand the waiver for children on the autism spectrum of all ages in the future; and (vii) other information determined relevant by the department; and provided further, that the department shall submit copies of amended waivers to the house and senate committees on ways and means, the joint committee on education and the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities upon submission of the amendment $7,928,034

5920-3020 For the implementation of chapter 226 of the acts of 2014, including services and supports for individuals with a developmental disability attributable to autism spectrum disorder, Smith-Magenis syndrome or Prader-Willi syndrome; provided, that the department shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the: (i) number of individuals eligible for services; (ii) number of eligible individuals served; (iii) type of services provided; (iv) cost per service; and (v) cost of services per individual; and provided further, that not less than $300,000 shall be expended for the commission on autism established in section 217 of chapter 6 of the General Laws $77,926,359

5920-3025 For funding to support initiatives to address the needs of individuals with developmental disabilities who are aging including, but not limited to, individuals with Down Syndrome and Alzheimer's disease, through the identification of best practices for services for affected individuals, including: (i) medical care coordination models that address conditions common to individuals with developmental disabilities who are aging; (ii) training for direct care and other staff in the identification of dementia or other age-related conditions; and (iii) the collection of data regarding the effectiveness of the initiatives included in this item; provided, that not later than April 1, 2026, the department of developmental services shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the status of these initiatives including, but not limited to: (A) the number of participants served by each initiative; (B) the participant outcomes, including impacts on the physical and cognitive health of participants; (C) the cost of each initiative and the cost per participant; (D) the implementation plans for these initiatives in fiscal years 2027 and 2028; and (E) recommendations for enhancing the care of individuals with developmental disabilities who are aging $99,000

5920-5000 For services to clients of the department who turn 22 years of age during fiscal years 2025 and 2026; provided, that not later than January 2, 2026 the department shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the use of any funds encumbered or expended from this item including, but not limited to, the number of clients served in each region and the types of services purchased in each region $110,653,566

5930-1000 For the operation of facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities; provided, that in order to comply with the decision in Olmstead v. L.C. ex rel. Zimring, 527 U.S. 581 (1999) and to enhance care for clients, the department of developmental services shall discharge clients residing in intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities, or an ICF/IID, to residential services in the community if: (i) the client is deemed clinically suited for a more integrated setting; (ii) community residential service capacity and resources available are sufficient to provide each client with an equal or improved level of service; and (iii) the cost to the commonwealth of serving the client in the community is less than or equal to the cost of serving the client in an ICF/IID; provided further, that any client transferred to another ICF/IID as the result of a facility closure shall receive a level of care that is equal to or greater than the level of care that had been provided at the closed ICF/IID; provided further, that the department may allocate funds from this item to items 5920-2000, 5920-2010 and 5920-2025, as necessary, under allocation plans that shall be submitted to the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 30 days before any transfer for residential and day services for clients formerly receiving inpatient care at an ICF/IID; and provided further, that not later than February 27, 2026, the department shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means, on: (A) all efforts to comply with the decision in Olmstead v. L.C. ex rel. Zimring, 527 U.S. 581 (1999); (B) the enhancement of care within available resources to clients served by the department; and (C) the steps taken to consolidate or close an ICF/IID $131,050,113

BOARD OF LIBRARY COMMISSIONERS.

7000-9101 For the operation of the board of library commissioners $2,073,664

7000-9401 For state aid to regional public libraries; provided, that the board of library commissioners may provide quarterly advances of funds as it deems appropriate under clauses (1) and (3) of section 19C of chapter 78 of the General Laws to regional public library systems throughout each fiscal year, in compliance with the office of the comptroller's regulations on state grants pursuant to 815 C.M.R. 2.00; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, in calculating the fiscal year 2026 distribution of funds appropriated in this item, the board shall employ the population figures used to calculate the fiscal year 2025 distribution; provided further, that the board shall provide funds for the continued operation of a single regional library system to serve the different geographic regions of the commonwealth; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the library for the commonwealth shall receive not less than 47.5 cents for each resident of the commonwealth; and provided further, that said amount shall not exceed 25 per cent of the amount appropriated under this item $19,000,000

7000-9402 For the talking book library at the Worcester public library $711,942

7000-9406 For the Perkins Braille and Talking Book Library in the city known as the town of Watertown, including the operation of the machine lending agency $4,053,441

7000-9501 For state aid to public libraries; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, no city or town shall receive funds from this item in any year when the appropriation of the city or town for free public library service is below an amount equal to 102.5 per cent of the average of the appropriations for free public library services for the 3 years immediately preceding; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the board of library commissioners may grant waivers in excess of the waiver limit set forth under the second paragraph of section 19A of chapter 78 of the General Laws for fiscal year 2026 for not more than 1 year; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, of the amount by which this item exceeds the amount appropriated under item 7000-9501 of section 2 of chapter 194 of the acts of 1998, funds shall be distributed under the guidelines of the municipal equalization grant program, the library incentive grant program and the nonresident circulation offset program; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any payment made under this item shall be deposited with the treasurer of the city or town and held in a separate account and shall be expended by the public library of that city or town without appropriation $20,000,000

7000-9506 For the technology and automated resource sharing networks $6,172,690

7000-9508 For the Massachusetts Center for the Book, Inc., chartered as the Commonwealth Affiliate of the Center for the Book in the Library of

Congress; provided, that the Massachusetts Center for the Book, Inc. shall continue its work as a public-private partnership $420,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.

Office of the Secretary.

7002-1091 For the development and operation of career technical institutes in vocational-technical schools in partnership with industry and community stakeholders; provided, that career technical institutes shall build out industry recognized credentialing pathways for adult learners in technical and trade fields to retrain and grow the workforce; provided further, that at the direction of the secretary of labor and workforce development, development funds may be transferred to the Workforce Competitiveness Trust Fund established in section 2WWW of chapter 29 of the General Laws to issue competitive grants to support the start-up and educational costs of career technical institutes $8,985,600

7003-0100 For the operation of the executive office of labor and workforce development; provided, that not later than February 23, 2026, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means including, but not limited to: (i) sector by sector barriers to workers returning to work during the 2019 novel coronavirus pandemic, including the retail sector; and (ii) current programs that may be utilized to target the workforce in each sector $2,334,937

7003-0101 For the costs of core administrative functions performed within the executive office of labor and workforce development; provided, that common functions that may be designated core administrative functions include, without limitation, human resources, financial management, information technology, legal, procurement and asset management; provided further, that the executive office shall, in consultation with the comptroller, develop a detailed plan for the expenditure of said funds, and for increasing efficiency and reducing costs through shared services; provided further, that not later than January 30, 2026, the secretary of labor and workforce development and the comptroller shall jointly submit the plan to the joint committee on labor and workforce development and the house and senate committees on ways and means; and provided further, that the General Fund shall be reimbursed the amount appropriated in this item attributed to the department of industrial accidents based on rates approved by the office of the comptroller and for associated indirect and direct fringe benefit costs from assessments levied under section 65 of chapter 152 of the General Laws $20,871,772

7003-0150 For the operation of a re-entry workforce development and supportive services program for formerly incarcerated individuals transitioning from a house of correction or the department of correction to a steady job or career; provided, that funds shall be used for: (i) job training for formerly incarcerated individuals in order to facilitate job placement; (ii) wage subsidies to facilitate private sector employment and professional development; and (iii) support services and programs for court-involved youths; provided further, that the executive office of labor and workforce development shall take all necessary steps to

secure private sector funding for this program; provided further, that the executive office shall coordinate with a local public or private nonprofit university to examine and develop a longitudinal evaluation framework to assess the efficacy and efficiency of the program; provided further, that not less than $250,000 shall be expended for New England Culinary Arts Training; and provided further, that not later than April 1, 2026, the executive office shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means describing the administrative functions of the program, client outcomes and plans for the longitudinal evaluation framework $2,725,000

7003-0151 For the purposes of expanding and diversifying registered apprenticeships including, but not limited to, in the priority manufacturing, health care and information technology industries $3,315,140

Department of Economic Research.

7003-0105 For the operation of the department of economic research $891,496

Department of Labor Standards.

7003-0200 For the operation of the department of labor standards $4,737,805

7003-0201 For the department of labor standards, which may expend not more than $451,076 received from fees collected under section 3A of chapter 23 of the General Laws and civil fines issued under section 197B of chapter 111 of the General Laws, section 46R of chapter 140 of the General Laws and section 6F½ of chapter 149 of the General Laws $451,076

7003-0152 For the operation of the division of apprenticeship standards $350,000

Department of Labor Relations.

7003-0900 For the operation of the department of labor relations $3,699,131

Department of Career Services.

7003-0902 For the operation of the Joint Labor Management Committee for Municipal Police and Fire $350,000

7002-0012 For a youth-at-risk program targeting high-risk areas; provided, that these funds may be expended for the development and implementation of a year-round employment program for youth-at-risk and existing year-round employment programs, including programs that serve youth who are not more than 25 years of age, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning youth, youth of color, youth of all abilities, national origins and religions and low-income youth, including single income households, youth who are experiencing housing insecurity and other youth determined to be eligible by the Commonwealth Corporation; and provided further, that funds shall be available for expenditure through September 1, 2026, prior appropriation continued $15,240,000

Gaming Economic Development Fund 100%

7003-0606 For the operation and maintenance of the Massachusetts Manufacturing Extension Partnership, Inc. to maintain and promote manufacturing as an integral part of the economy, and for programs designed to assist small and mid-sized manufacturing companies $2,000,000

7003-0607 For the Commonwealth Corporation for an employment training program for unemployed young adults with disabilities; provided, that funds shall be awarded competitively by the Commonwealth Corporation to community-based organizations with recognized success in creating strong collaborations with employers to consider young adults with disabilities; and provided further, that a community-based organization that receives funding under this item shall provide extensive training and internship programming and ongoing post-placement support for participants and employers $1,000,000

7003-0608 For the 1199SEIU Training and Upgrading Fund to deliver innovative worker training for eligible health care workers that will better the lives of health care workers, reduce costs and improve the quality of health care provided by MassHealth personal care attendants and provided at nursing homes, community health centers, hospitals and health systems $1,000,000

7003-0800 For the operation of the MassHire department of career services; provided, that funds may be expended for the MassHire Workforce System $2,135,327

7003-0803 For the operation of the MassHire career centers, including workforce development services for priority populations and emergency assistance shelter clients; provided, that the career centers, in coordination with the executive office of labor and workforce development, shall establish parameters for regular data reporting $8,253,620

7003-1206 For the Massachusetts Service Alliance, Inc., to administer state service corps grants and provide training and support to volunteer and service organizations $1,386,000

7003-1207 For the operation of the Massachusetts AFL-CIO Workforce Development Programs, Inc. to provide dislocated worker assistance, layoff aversion and job training with a focus on pathways to quality careers through traditional and non-traditional apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship training $150,000

Department of Industrial Accidents.

7003-0500 For the operation and administrative expenses of the department of industrial accidents; provided, that not later than January 30, 2026, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the scope, objective and results of grant recipients' safety training program; and provided further, that the General Fund shall be reimbursed the amount appropriated in this item and for associated indirect and direct fringe benefit costs from assessments levied under section 65 of chapter 152 of the General Laws $23,555,618

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HOUSING AND LIVABLE COMMUNITIES.

7004-0001 For the operation of the commission on Indian affairs $155,964

7004-0099 For the operation of the executive office of housing and livable communities; provided, that the executive office may make expenditures against federal grants for certain direct and indirect costs under a cost overhead allocation plan approved by the comptroller; provided further, that the comptroller shall maintain an account on the state accounting and reporting system to make these expenditures; provided further, that expenditures made against the account shall not be subject to appropriation and may include the cost of personnel; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the executive office may conduct annual verifications of household income levels based upon state tax returns to administer the state and federal housing subsidy programs funded by items 7004-0108, 7004-9005, 7004-9024, 7004-9030, 7004-9033 and 7004-9316 of this section and items 7004-9009, 7004-9014, and 7004-9019 of section 2D; provided further, that as a condition of eligibility or continued occupancy by an applicant or tenant, the executive office may require disclosure of the social security numbers of the applicant or tenant and members of the applicant's or tenant's household solely for use in verification of income eligibility; provided further, that the executive office may deny or terminate participation in subsidy programs for failure by an applicant or tenant to provide a social security number for use in verification of income eligibility; provided further, that the executive office may consult with the department of revenue, the department of transitional assistance or any other state or federal agency to conduct said income verification; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, these state agencies shall consult and cooperate with the executive office and furnish any information in the possession of the agencies including, but not limited to, tax returns and applications for public assistance or financial aid; provided further, that in conducting income verifications, the executive office may enter into an interdepartmental service agreement with the department of revenue to utilize the department of revenue's wage reporting and bank match system to verify the income and eligibility of participants in federally-assisted housing programs and that of members of the participants' households; provided further, that notwithstanding section 12 of chapter 490 of the acts of 1980, the executive office may authorize neighborhood housing services corporations to retain, reassign and reloan funds received in repayment of loans made under the neighborhood housing services rehabilitation program; provided further, that not later than September 16, 2025, the executive office shall promulgate and uniformly enforce regulations clarifying that a household that otherwise qualifies for any preference or priority for state-subsidized housing based on homeless or at-risk status shall retain that preference or priority notwithstanding receipt of assistance that is intended to be temporary including, but not limited to, any temporary or bridge subsidies provided with state or federal funds, which shall include households receiving assistance under item said 7004-0108 after July 1, 2013; provided further, that the executive office shall operate local offices in the 10 cities and towns in which the executive office maintained office locations as of January 1, 2025 in order to continue to accept in-person applications

and provide other services related to the emergency assistance housing program funded by item 7004-0101; provided further, that the offices shall have sufficient staffing to determine eligibility promptly and provide other program services to families; provided further, that the executive office may operate additional local offices in other municipalities that are geographically convenient to those families who are experiencing homelessness or are at risk of homelessness; provided further, that not later than September 2, 2025, the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to, for each local office: (i) the municipality in which each office is located; (ii) the ways in which applicants can submit applications and connect with staff, including, if available, in-person, by telephone and online; (iii) the daily business hours of in-person and telephonic operation of each office; (iv) the number of full-time equivalent staff assigned to each office; (v) the average wait time for direct communication with a staff member whether in-person or by telephone; and (vi) any steps the executive office plans to take to increase accessibility to intake services related to emergency assistance housing programs across the commonwealth; provided further, that at least annually, the executive office shall conduct staff trainings that shall include, but not be limited to, notice of changes in laws related to items of appropriation under the administration of the executive office; provided further, that the executive office shall provide the caseload forecasting office with enrollment data and any other information pertinent to caseload forecasting that is requested by the office on a monthly basis; and provided further, that such information shall be provided in a manner that meets all applicable federal and state privacy and security requirements $15,573,388

7004-0100 For the operations of the homeless shelter and services unit, including the compensation of caseworkers and support personnel; provided, that the executive office of housing and livable communities shall take steps to extend intake hours for families seeking assistance from item 7004-0101 ..... $18,432,568

7004-0101 For certain expenses of the emergency housing assistance program under section 30 of chapter 23B of the General Laws, including homelessness prevention, diversion and strategic rehousing and contracted family shelters; provided, that eligibility shall be limited to families with incomes at or below 115 per cent of the 2025 or a later-issued higher federal poverty level; provided further, that any family whose income exceeds 200 per cent of the federal poverty level for a sustained and consecutive period of 120 days while the family is receiving assistance funded by this item shall become ineligible for assistance; provided further, that families who are eligible for assistance through a temporary emergency family shelter shall include families who: (i) are at risk of domestic abuse in their current housing situation or are homeless because they fled domestic violence and have not had access to safe, permanent housing since leaving the housing situation that they fled; (ii) through no fault of their own, are homeless due to fire, flood or natural disaster; (iii) through no fault of their own, have been subject to eviction from their most recent housing due to: (A) foreclosure; (B) condemnation; (C) conduct by a guest or former household member who is not part of the household seeking emergency shelter and over whose conduct the remaining

household members had no control; or (D) nonpayment of rent caused by a documented medical condition or diagnosed disability or caused by a documented loss of income within the last 12 months directly as a result of a change in household composition or a loss of income source through no fault of the family; or (iv) are in a housing situation where they are not the primary leaseholder or are in a housing situation not meant for human habitation and where there is a substantial health and safety risk to the family that is likely to result in significant harm should the family remain in the housing situation; provided further, that benefits under this item shall only be provided to families consisting entirely of residents of the commonwealth who are citizens of the United States or persons lawfully admitted for permanent residence or otherwise permanently residing under the color of law in the United States, except in cases where a child in the family is a citizen of the United States, a person lawfully admitted for permanent residence or a person permanently residing under color of law in the United States; provided further, that temporary emergency assistance shall be provided to families who, on the date of application for emergency assistance, have no other feasible alternative housing as defined under 760 CMR 67.06(1)(b), whether in the commonwealth or elsewhere, and who, but for not having spent 1 night in a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings including, but not limited to, a car, park, abandoned building, medical facility, bus or train station, airport or campground would be eligible for emergency assistance under clauses (i) to (iv), inclusive; provided further, that the executive office of housing and livable communities shall submit quarterly reports, broken down by month, to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing expenditures under the preceding proviso, including: (1) the number of families who received emergency assistance under the preceding proviso; (2) the number of families entering the emergency assistance system after having already stayed in a place not meant for human habitation; (3) the number of families entering the emergency assistance system having stayed in a place not meant for human habitation after having requested services provided for in this item within the preceding 6 months and within the preceding week; (4) the number of families described under clause (3) who received a written denial of their request for services prior to staying in a place not meant for human habitation and the number who neither entered the emergency shelter system nor received a written denial on the day of their request; and (5) available data on the race and ethnicity of the families described under clauses (1) to (4), inclusive; provided further, that nothing contained in this item shall require that emergency assistance be provided to a family that, on the date of application for emergency assistance, has other feasible housing as defined under said 760 CMR 67.06(1)(b), whether in the commonwealth or elsewhere, and that said housing adequately accommodates the size and disabilities of the family; provided further, that not less than annually, the executive office shall provide training to relevant staff to ensure compliance with legal requirements related to eligibility for the emergency housing assistance program, including eligibility based on a family having no other feasible alternative housing as defined under said 760 CMR 67.06(1)(b); provided further, that the executive office shall collaborate with the executive office of health and human services, the Massachusetts interagency council on housing and homelessness and family homelessness service

providers on strategies and best practices for the prevention of family homelessness; provided further, that the health and safety risk shall be determined by the department of children and families or a department-approved entity through risk assessments; provided further, that a family who receives emergency housing assistance due to domestic abuse shall be connected to the appropriate social service agency; provided further, that temporary assistance under this item shall be terminated upon the offer of available housing or other assistance sufficient to maintain or stabilize housing; provided further, that a family may not decline an offer for available housing if the offer adequately accommodates the size and disabilities of the family and the new housing placement would not result in a job loss for the client; provided further, that any family who declines an adequate offer of available housing or other assistance sufficient to maintain or stabilize housing shall become ineligible for assistance from this item; provided further, that families receiving benefits under this item shall have 30 per cent of their income set aside in a savings account, subject to reasonable exceptions as set forth under executive office regulations in effect in fiscal year 2026; provided further, that the amount saved shall be exempt from otherwise applicable asset limits; provided further, that the family may withdraw the amount placed in savings upon transition to permanent housing or losing eligibility for shelter services; provided further, that families receiving emergency assistance shall receive housing search assistance that attempts to facilitate a sustainable housing placement within 4 weeks of entry into the emergency assistance shelter, motel or hotel; provided further, that families receiving assistance for longer than 32 weeks shall have an executable shelter exit plan that facilitates a housing placement in a new sustainable tenancy or a safe residence including, but not limited to, a placement for which the family is not the primary leaseholder, as soon as possible; provided further, that funds may be advanced to contracted service providers to cover 1-time upfront costs needed to operate shelters; provided further, that as part of executive office efforts to prevent abuse of the emergency assistance program, the executive office shall enter into a wage match agreement with the department of revenue; provided further, that eligibility for shelter by an otherwise eligible family shall not be impaired by prior receipt of any nonshelter benefit; provided further, that an eligible household that is approved for shelter placement shall be placed in a shelter as close as possible to the household's home community, unless a household requests otherwise; provided further, that if the closest available placement is not within 20 miles of the household's home community, the executive office shall, to the extent practicable, make best efforts to transfer the household to an appropriate shelter within 20 miles of its home community at the earliest possible date, unless the household requests otherwise; provided further, that the executive office shall notify local school departments of the placement of a family in its district within 5 days of placement; provided further, that the executive office shall make every effort to ensure that children receiving services from this item shall continue attending school in the community in which they lived before receiving services funded from this item; provided further, that the executive office shall use its best efforts to ensure that a family placed by the emergency housing assistance program shall be provided with access to refrigeration and basic cooking facilities; provided further, that if a family with a child under the age of 3 is placed in a hotel or motel, the executive office

shall ensure that the hotel or motel provides a crib that meets all state and federal safety codes for each child under the age of 3; provided further, that the executive office shall verify, through third-party verification or otherwise, prior to placement in an emergency shelter, for each emergency housing assistance applicant, their: (A) identity; (B) Massachusetts residency; (C) relationship status; (D) pregnancy status; and (E) other eligibility requirements in this item and pursuant to 760 CMR 67.00 or any successor regulations; provided, however, that the executive office shall not be required to provide shelter to families who are unable to provide required verifications pursuant to the previous proviso prior to placement; provided, further, that the executive office may offer a case-specific waiver for exigent circumstances and at the discretion of the executive office pursuant to regulations promulgated by the executive office including case-specific waivers for: (i) an imminent threat of domestic violence; (ii) families with a family member who has a documented disability; (iii) a qualified veteran under clause Forty-third of section 7 of chapter 4 of the General Laws who is not enrolled in services specifically tailored to veterans including, but not limited to, those administered by the executive office of veterans services; and (iv) families with a family member who has a high-risk pregnancy or who has recently given birth; provided further, that the executive office shall require each applicant for emergency housing assistance program benefits to establish residency in the commonwealth; provided, however, that an applicant shall be required to show an intent to remain in in the commonwealth, which may be shown through sources of verification accepted by the executive office pursuant to regulations, including documentation showing a person receives MassHealth, documentation showing a person receives public benefits in the commonwealth, a bill or other insurance documentation with an address, email, letter or statement from a licensed health care worker on office letterhead or office email stating that the person lives in the commonwealth or a photo identification issued by the commonwealth; provided further, that families receiving shelter benefits who are found ineligible for continuing shelter benefits shall be eligible for aid pending a timely appeal under said chapter 23B; provided further, that this item shall be subject to appropriation and in the event of a deficiency, nothing in this item shall give rise to or shall be construed as giving rise to any enforceable right or entitlement to services in excess of the amounts appropriated in this item; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, not less than 90 days before promulgating or amending any regulations, administrative practices or policies that would alter eligibility for or the level of benefits under this program, other than that which would benefit the clients, the executive office shall submit a report to the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate setting forth justification for such changes including, but not limited to, any determination by the secretary of housing and livable communities that available appropriations will be insufficient to meet projected expenses and the projected savings from any proposed changes; provided further, that no funds from this item shall be expended for personnel or administrative costs; provided further, that the executive office shall submit quarterly reports, broken down by month, to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing emergency

assistance system capacity; provided further, that the executive office shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means, broken down by month, with the most recently available monthly data, including data on the race and ethnicity of all families where available and applicable expressed as a percentage of the total, on: (A) applications for services provided for in this item and in item 7004-0108 and requests for services under this item and item 7008-0108, with a request for services defined as any point at which the household seeking services provides information to the executive office as part of any enrollment, triage, or eligibility determination, regardless of whether a formal application is completed and regardless of whether the contact is by telephone, by office visit, or by other means; (B) front-door entries into the emergency assistance system; (C) applications and requests for services provided for in this item and in said item 7004-0108 that are denied and the bases of all such denials expressed as a percentage of the total; (D) applications and requests for services provided for in this item and in said item 7004-0108 that do not result in a formal denial, a front-door entry into the emergency assistance system or verified diversion as a result of HomeBASE household assistance expressed as a percentage of the total; (E) the number of households submitting multiple applications or making multiple requests for services within the previous 1-month period and the previous 6-month period; (F) diversions as a result of HomeBASE household assistance; (G) exits from the emergency assistance system, delineated by reason for exit, including at-fault terminations, exits because the household is no longer income eligible, exits through HomeBASE household assistance with no other subsidy and exits to affordable, subsidized or otherwise assisted housing; (H) the number of applications and requests that do not result in the household entering emergency assistance shelter within 48 hours and for which such non-entry is attributable to each of the following: written denial, pending documentation or verifications, no imminent homelessness or household withdrawal of the application; (I) the average, minimum and maximum cost per family of emergency assistance under this item; (J) the number of families served under this item who required further assistance under this item or under said item 7004-0108 at a later date; (K) the type of assistance later required and provided; (L) the total number of families receiving assistance under item 7004-0101 that have received assistance under this item or said item 7004-0108 during each of the previous 1, 2 and 3 years; (M) the number of children served under this item broken down by age; (N) the number of applications and requests from households that became homeless within 12 months of depleting their HomeBASE household assistance under said item 7004-0108; (O) the reasons for homelessness in the applications and requests received under clause (N) and the number of applications and requests received under said clause (N) that are denied; and (P) the average and maximum length of stay for families currently staying in an emergency assistance shelter placement; provided further, that said quarterly reports shall also include the following information from the department of children and families: (I) the number of families assessed for a health and safety risk in the previous quarter; (II) the number of families determined to be at a substantial health and safety risk; (III) the number of families receiving multiple health and safety assessments within the previous 6-month period; and (IV) the standards used to determine a substantial health and safety risk; provided further, that

said quarterly reports shall also include: (i) the number of families that applied for a transfer from their current shelter placement to a unit that can accommodate their disability-related needs, delineated by reason for the application; (ii) the number of families whose applications for reasonable accommodation have been approved but that are waiting for transfer due to lack of available units able to accommodate their disability-related needs, delineated by category of accommodation including, but not limited to, access to cooking facilities, first-floor or elevator access, non-carpeted unit, physical modification to unit, scattered site unit, geographic proximity to service providers and wheelchair accessibility; (iii) the number of families currently in shelter units located more than 20 miles away from their home community; (iv) the number of families with at least 1 child who attends a school other than the child's school of origin as a result of placement in a shelter unit outside of their home community; (v) both the average and maximum number of days that families spend in placements under the circumstances described in clauses (ii) to (iv), inclusive, prior to being transferred to a shelter unit for which none of the circumstances in said clauses (ii) to (iv), inclusive, apply; (vi) the percentage of applications for a transfer that were approved; and (vii) the average number of days and the maximum number of days between the application submission and the approval; provided further, that funds shall be expended on shelter units suitable to meet the needs of households with disabilities requiring reasonable accommodation; and provided further, that funds shall be expended for expenses incurred as a result of families being housed in hotels due to the unavailability of contracted shelter beds $275,271,903

7004-0102 For the homelessness program to assist individuals who are homeless or in danger of becoming homeless, including assistance to organizations that provide shelter, transitional housing and services that help individuals avoid entry into shelters or successfully exit shelters; provided, that no organization providing services to the homeless shall receive less than an average per bed, per night rate of $25; provided further, that no funds shall be expended for costs associated with the homeless management information system; provided further, that the executive office shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the contracts awarded to service providers; provided further, that the reports shall include, but not be limited to: (i) each contracted service provider; (ii) the amount of the contracts; (iii) a description of the services to be provided; (iv) the length of said contract; and (v) the date upon which each contract was executed; provided further, that not less than $95,000,000 appropriated in this item shall be allocated to contracted service providers of homeless individuals in fiscal year 2020; and provided further, that programs currently providing shelter may renegotiate how to use said program's shelter fund, with the agreement of the executive office and the host municipality, to provide alternative services proven to be effective, including housing first models, transitional housing and diversion away from shelters $115,752,398

7004-0104 For the home and healthy for good program operated by the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance, Inc. to reduce the incidence of chronic and long-term homelessness in the commonwealth; provided, that not less than $250,000 shall be expended to continue a supportive housing initiative for

unaccompanied homeless young adults who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer or questioning; provided further, that the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance, Inc. shall be solely responsible for the administration of this program; and provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance, Inc. shall submit a report to the executive office of housing and livable communities, the joint committee on housing, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate, detailing: (i) the number of people served, including available demographic information; (ii) the average cost per participant; (iii) whether participants have previously received services from the executive office; and (iv) any projected cost-savings to the commonwealth associated with this program $8,390,000

7004-0105 For permanent supportive housing units to house individuals experiencing homelessness and mitigate overcrowding in homeless shelters; provided, that not less than $2,100,000 may be expended to sustain low-threshold sponsor-based leasing that had been previously linked to the pay-for-success projects funded through the Social Innovation Financing Trust Fund established under section 35VV of chapter 10 of the General Laws; provided further, that the executive office of housing and livable communities shall prioritize geographic equity when expending funds from this item; provided further, that the executive office may contract directly with the organizations that received Social Innovation Financing vouchers funded under item 7004-9024 in fiscal year 2022; and provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the distribution methodology and locations of units supported by this item..... $11,922,875

7004-0106 For the continued implementation and evaluation of the homeless family preference in private multi-family housing program established by New Lease for Homeless Families, Inc. $250,000

7004-0107 For the administration of local housing programs $100,000

7004-0108 For a program of short-term housing assistance to help families eligible for temporary emergency shelter under item 7004-0101 in addressing obstacles to maintaining or securing housing; provided, that the assistance shall include not less than 12 months of housing stabilization and economic self-sufficiency case management services for each family receiving benefits under this item; provided further, that a family shall not receive more than $30,000 in a 24-month period from this item; provided further, the executive office of housing and livable communities shall provide household assistance in an amount up to $15,000, or a higher cap established in item 7004-0108, for a subsequent 12-month period to eligible families; provided further, that not more than $2,500,000 shall be made available to administering agencies for circumstances in which the administering agency believes an award greater than $30,000 in a 24-month period is essential to resolve a housing crisis, in accordance with guidance from the executive office of housing and livable communities; provided further, that so long as a family meets the requirements of its housing stabilization plan, a family that received household assistance under this item whose income increases shall not become ineligible for

assistance due to exceeding the income limit for the first 12 months from the date their income initially increased; provided further, that a family shall not be deemed ineligible as a result of any single violation of a self-sufficiency plan; provided further, that the executive office of housing and livable communities shall take all steps necessary to enforce regulations to prevent abuse in the short-term housing transition program, including a wage match agreement with the department of revenue; provided further, that a family that was terminated from the program or did not make a good faith effort to follow its housing stabilization plan during the term of its assistance shall be ineligible for benefits under said item 7004-0101 and this item for 12 months from the last date the family received financial assistance under said item 7004-0101 and this item; provided further, that a family's housing stabilization plan shall adequately accommodate the ages and disabilities of the family members; provided further, that families receiving benefits under this program who are found ineligible for continuing benefits shall be eligible for aid pending a timely appeal under chapter 23B of the General Laws; provided further, that families who are denied assistance under this item may appeal that denial under said chapter 23B, including subsection (F) of section 30 of said chapter 23B and regulations adopted to implement said chapter 23B; provided further, that the executive office, as a condition of continued eligibility for assistance under this program, may require disclosure of social security numbers by all members of a family receiving assistance under this item for use in verification of income with other agencies, departments and executive offices; provided further, that if a family member fails to provide a social security number for use in verifying the family's income and eligibility, then the family shall no longer be eligible to receive benefits from this program; provided further, that the executive office shall administer this program through the following agencies, unless administering agencies are otherwise procured by the executive office: Hearthway, Inc; Central Massachusetts Housing Alliance, Inc.; Community Teamwork Inc.; the Housing Assistance Corporation; the Franklin County regional housing and redevelopment authority; Way Finders, Inc.; Metro Housing Boston; the Lynn housing authority and neighborhood development; the South Middlesex Opportunity Council, Inc.; NeighborWorks Soma Realty, Inc. housing solutions; and RCAP Solutions, Inc.; provided further, that the executive office shall reallocate funding based on performance-based statistics from underperforming service providers to above average service providers in order to move as many families from hotels, motels or shelters into more sustainable housing; provided further, that the executive office shall use funds provided under this program for stabilization workers to focus efforts on housing retention and to link households to supports, including job training, education, job search and child care opportunities available, and may enter into agreements with other public and private agencies for the provision of such services; provided further, that a stabilization worker shall be assigned to each household; provided further, that funds shall be used to more rapidly transition families served by the program into temporary or permanent sustainable housing; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, not less than 90 days before promulgating or amending any regulation, administrative practice or policy that would alter eligibility for or the level of benefits under this program to less than the benefit level available

on June 30, 2025, the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate setting forth the justification for such changes including, but not limited to, any determination by the secretary of housing and livable communities that available appropriations will be insufficient to meet projected expenses; provided further, that the executive office shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means, which shall include, but not be limited to, the: (i) number of families served, including available demographic information, as well as the number of children served under this item broken down by age; (ii) type of assistance given; (iii) average, minimum and maximum cost per family of said assistance; (iv) total number of families receiving benefits under said item 7004-0101 that have received assistance under said item 7004-0108 during the previous 1, 2 and 3 years, including available demographic information; (v) the amount of shelter exits created by this line item; and (vi) the amount of families diverted from emergency assistance shelters; provided further, that the executive office shall expend funds under said item 7004-0108 on families residing in temporary emergency shelters and family residential treatment or sober living programs under item 4512-0200 if said families otherwise meet all eligibility requirements applicable to emergency shelter under said item 7004-0101, except that, solely for the purposes of this item, the fact that a family is in a family residential treatment or sober living program under said item 4512-0200 shall not preclude said family from receiving assistance; provided further, that this item shall be subject to appropriation and, in the event of a deficiency, nothing in this item shall give rise to, or shall be construed as giving rise to, any enforceable right or entitlement to services in excess of the amounts appropriated in this item; provided further, the executive office of housing and livable communities shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means, which shall include, but not be limited to, efforts made to work in collaboration with the office for refugees and immigrants and resettlement agencies; and provided further, that household assistance funds shall be advanced to the administering agencies at the end of each month and before the next month's disbursement, the amount of which shall be estimated based on the prior month's expenditure with a reconciliation not less than annually $57,322,002

7004-0109 For the shelter workforce development initiative, to provide pathways to careers in fields related to housing and homelessness; provided, that funds shall be expended to address barriers to obtaining and sustaining shelter employment including, but not limited to, transportation, loan repayment, tuition or certification fee reimbursement and child care; provided further, that, not less than $5,000,000 be made available to shelters contracted through item 7004-0101; provided further, that not less than $5,000,000 be made available to shelters contracted through item 7004-0102; and provided further, that the secretary of housing and livable communities shall submit a report to the joint committee on housing and the house and senate committees on ways and means not later than March 3, 2026, detailing the expenditures and hiring outcomes of the program $10,000,000

7004-0202 For the rapid transition of homeless individuals into sustainable permanent housing; provided, that programs under this item shall be

administered by direct service providers contracted under item 7004-0102; provided further, that these programs may include, but shall not be limited to, vocational training, temporary assistance and permanent supportive housing; and provided further, that not later than February 3, 2026, the executive office of housing and livable communities shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the: (i) total number of people served; (ii) total number of people transitioned into permanent housing; (iii) types of programs implemented; (iv) vocational training programs, delineated by job type; (v) number of people participating in said training programs; (vi) the number of people who transitioned from said training programs into full time employment; (vii) the number of people exiting the shelter system as a result of full time employment; and (viii) the number of people diverted from the shelter system..... $5,000,000

7004-3036 For housing services and counseling; provided, that funds shall be expended as grants to 9 regional housing consumer education centers operated by the regional nonprofit housing authorities; provided further, that the grants shall be awarded through a competitive application process under criteria established by the executive office of housing and livable communities; provided further, that the executive office shall submit annual reports to the secretary of administration and finance, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on housing detailing all expenditures of the program, including each regional housing consumer education center, the total number of persons who received information and referral services, the costs for such services rendered per consumer and the identification of consumer issues and trends; provided further, that not later than January 4, 2026, the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on possible savings and efficiencies that may be realized through the consolidation of said services; and provided further, that not less than $200,000 shall be made available to the Regional Housing Network of Massachusetts, Inc. for coordination and information technology $5,200,000

7004-4314 For the expenses of a service coordinators program established by the executive office of housing and livable communities to assist tenants residing in housing developed under sections 39 and 40 of chapter 121B of the General Laws..... $6,500,000

7004-9005 For subsidies to housing authorities and nonprofit organizations, including funds for deficiencies caused by certain reduced rentals in housing for the elderly, handicapped, veterans, families and relocated persons under sections 32 and 40 of chapter 121B of the General Laws; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, all housing authorities operating elderly public housing shall offer first preference for elderly public housing units that are vacant on the effective date of this act, and thereafter, to those persons 60 years of age or older as of June 30, 2025 receiving rental assistance from the Massachusetts rental voucher program; provided further, that the executive office of housing and livable communities may expend funds appropriated under this item for deficiencies caused by certain reduced rentals that may be anticipated in the operation of housing authorities for the first quarter of the subsequent fiscal year; provided further, that no funds shall be expended from this item to reimburse

the debt service reserve included in the budgets of housing authorities; provided further, that no funds shall be expended from this item in the AA object class for the compensation of state employees; provided further, that the amount appropriated in this item shall be considered to meet all obligations under said sections 32 and 40 of said chapter 121B; provided further, that new reduced rental units developed in fiscal year 2026 eligible for subsidies under this item shall not cause any annualization that results in an amount exceeding the amount appropriated in this item; provided further, that all funds in excess of normal utilities, operations and maintenance costs may be expended for capital repairs; and provided further, that the administration shall make every attempt to direct efforts toward rehabilitating housing authority family units requiring $10,000 or less in repairs $115,500,000

General Fund..... 86.62%
Local Projects Fund..... 13.38%

7004-9007 For costs associated with the implementation of the duties of the executive office of housing and livable communities under chapter 235 of the acts of 2014; provided, that in conjunction with said duties, funds may be expended on the creation and implementation of an information technology platform for state-aided public housing to be administered by the executive office; and provided further, that the executive office, in making changes to said information technology platform, shall collaborate and coordinate with housing authorities to ensure equitable and effective systems $1,312,500

7004-9024 For the Massachusetts rental voucher program to provide rental assistance for low-income families and elderly persons through mobile and project-based vouchers; provided, that the income of eligible households shall not exceed 80 per cent of the area median income; provided further, that the executive office of housing and livable communities may require that not less than 75 per cent of newly issued vouchers be targeted to households whose income at initial occupancy does not exceed 30 per cent of the area median income; provided further, that the executive office may award mobile vouchers to eligible households currently occupying project-based units that shall expire due to the non-renewal of project-based rental assistance contracts; provided further, that the executive office, as a condition of continued eligibility for vouchers and voucher payments, may require disclosure of social security numbers by participants and members of a participant's household in the Massachusetts rental voucher program for use in verification of income with other agencies, departments and executive offices; provided further, that if a participant or member of a participant's household fails to provide a social security number for use in verifying the household's income and eligibility, then that household shall no longer be eligible for a voucher or to receive benefits from the voucher program; provided further, that until the implementation of a payment standard by the executive office for all voucher holders, each household shall pay not less than 30 per cent of its monthly adjusted income but not more than 40 per cent of its monthly adjusted income for rent at initial occupancy; provided further, that until the implementation of such payment standard, the monthly dollar amount of each voucher shall be the executive office-approved monthly rent of the unit less the monthly amount paid for rent

by the household; provided further, that any household that is proven to have caused intentional damage to its rental unit in an amount exceeding 2 months of rent during any 1-year period shall be terminated from the program; provided further, that if the use of a mobile voucher is or has been discontinued, then the mobile voucher shall be reassigned; provided further, that the executive office shall pay regional administering agencies not less than $50 per voucher per month for the costs of administering the program; provided further, that subsidies shall not be reduced due to the cost of inspections; provided further, that the executive office shall provide assistance using a payment standard so that the required household payment for a household choosing a unit with gross rent less than or equal to the payment standard shall be not more than 30 per cent of the household's monthly adjusted income, with gross rent defined as the contract rent plus an amount allowed by the executive office for tenant-paid utilities; provided further, that the payment standard shall be set, at the discretion of the executive office, at either 110 per cent of the current area-wide fair market rent or 110 per cent of the current small area fair market rent, both as established by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for the same size of dwelling unit in the same region, except as necessary as a reasonable accommodation for a household member with a disability or as otherwise directed by the executive office, except that a reduction by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development in such fair market rental shall not reduce the payment standard applied to a household continuing to reside in a unit without a change in voucher size for which the household was receiving assistance at the time the fair market rent or small area fair market rent was reduced; provided further, that if the gross rent for the unit does not exceed the applicable payment standard, the monthly assistance payment for the household for both project-based and tenant-based assistance shall be equal to the gross rent less the required household payment, except that the required household payment in any project-based unit that is subsidized under another federal or state subsidy or public housing program shall be subject to applicable limits on tenant-paid rent under such federal or state program; provided further, that for a household receiving tenant-based assistance under this section, if the household chooses a unit with a gross rent that exceeds the applicable payment standard, the monthly assistance payment for the household shall be limited to the amount by which the applicable payment standard exceeds 30 per cent of the monthly adjusted income of the household; provided further, that even if a household with tenant-based assistance chooses a unit with gross rent exceeding the payment standard, at the time the household initially receives tenant-based assistance with respect to any dwelling, the total amount that the household may be required to pay for gross rent, including the amount by which the gross rent exceeds the payment standard, shall not exceed 40 per cent of the monthly adjusted income of the household at the time the household initially receives tenant-based assistance with respect to any dwelling; provided further, that households receiving tenant-based assistance under this section may pay more than 40 per cent of the monthly adjusted income of the household, at their option; provided further, that the executive office shall establish the amounts of the mobile and project-based vouchers so that the appropriation in this item shall not be exceeded by payments for rental assistance and administration; provided further,

that the executive office shall not enter into commitments that shall cause it to exceed the appropriation set forth in this item; provided further, that participating local housing authorities may take all steps necessary to enable them to transfer mobile voucher program participants from the Massachusetts rental voucher program into another housing subsidy program; provided further, that the executive office's approved monthly rent limits for mobile vouchers issued or leased on or after July 1, 2025 shall be equal to 110 per cent of the area-wide or small area fair market rent, except as necessary as a reasonable accommodation for a household member with a disability, as determined by the executive office, based on unit size as established annually by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; provided further, that the requested rent level for mobile vouchers shall be determined reasonable by the administering agency; provided further, that for mobile vouchers currently leased, the new rent limit shall not begin until the anniversary date of the lease; provided further, that the executive office may assist housing authorities at their written request, in the immediate implementation of a homeless prevention program utilizing alternative housing resources available to them for low-income families and the elderly by designating participants in the Massachusetts rental voucher program as at risk of displacement by public action through no fault of their own; provided further, that not later than December 2, 2025, the executive office of housing and livable communities shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on housing on the utilization of rental vouchers during the last 3 fiscal years under this item and item 7004-9030; provided further, that the report shall include, but not be limited to, the: (i) number and average value of rental vouchers currently distributed in the commonwealth in each county and in each municipality; (ii) average number of days that it takes for a household to utilize a voucher after receiving it from the administering agency; (iii) number of households that reach the date by which they must lease up their voucher without having found an available unit; (iv) number of households that apply for an extension by the deadline to lease up their voucher and the number of extensions granted; (v) actions taken by the executive office to reduce the wait time for households to lease up their voucher; (vi) number of distributed vouchers available to be utilized; (vii) number and type of new vouchers issued after July 1, 2025, including the costs associated with each type of new voucher; (viii) number of families on a waitlist for an available rental voucher; (ix) average number of days that it takes for project-based vouchers awarded by the executive office to be utilized after the award is made; (x) number of new project based vouchers delineated by project, including the: (A) type of housing; and (B) number of affordable units including area median income levels and total rental cost to the household; and (xi) obstacles faced by the department in its efforts to provide the information detailed in the preceding provisos, if applicable; provided further, that the report shall comply with state and federal privacy standards; and provided further, that the executive office may expend funds from this item for costs related to the completion of the voucher management system, prior appropriation continued $258,111,840

7004-9030 For the rental assistance program established in section 16 of chapter 179 of the acts of 1995; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, assistance may be provided in the form of

either mobile vouchers or project-based vouchers; provided further, that the vouchers shall be in varying dollar amounts set by the executive office of housing and livable communities based on considerations including, but not limited to, household size, composition, household income and geographic location; provided further, that the executive office's approved monthly rent limits for vouchers newly issued or leased after a date set by the executive office, but not later than June 30, 2026, shall be set, at the discretion of the executive office, at either up to 110 per cent of the current area-wide fair market rent or up to 110 per cent of the current small area fair market rent, except as necessary as a reasonable accommodation for a household member with a disability or as otherwise directed by the executive office, both based on unit size as established annually by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for the same size of dwelling unit in the same region; provided further, that the requested rent level for vouchers shall be determined reasonable by the administering agency; provided further, that for vouchers currently leased, the new rent limit shall not begin until the anniversary date of the lease; provided further, that any household that is proven to have caused intentional damage to its rental unit in an amount exceeding 2 months of rent during any 1-year period shall be terminated from the program; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, there shall be no maximum percentage applicable to the amount of income paid for rent by each household holding a mobile voucher; provided further, that each household shall be required to pay not less than 25 per cent of its net income as defined under regulations promulgated by the executive office for units if payment of utilities is not provided by the unit owner or not less than 30 per cent of its income for units if payment of utilities is provided by the unit owner; provided further, that payments for the rental assistance program may be provided in advance; provided further, that the executive office shall establish the amounts of the mobile vouchers so that the appropriation in this item is not exceeded by payments for rental assistance and administration; provided further, that the executive office shall not enter into commitments that shall cause it to exceed the appropriation set forth in this item; provided further, that the amount of a rental assistance voucher payment for an eligible household shall not exceed the rent less the household's minimum rent obligation; and provided further, that not later than December 16, 2025, the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (i) expenditures from this item; (ii) the number of outstanding rental vouchers; and (iii) the number and types of units leased, prior appropriation continued $19,461,214

7004-9033 For rental subsidies to eligible clients of the department of mental health; provided, that the executive office of housing and livable communities shall establish the amounts of such subsidies so that payment of the rental subsidies and of any other commitments from this item shall not exceed the amount appropriated in this item $16,548,125

7004-9034 For a housing assistance for re-entry transition pilot program; provided, that the program shall be administered by the executive office of housing and livable communities in consultation with the executive office of public safety and security; provided further, that funds shall be expended for rental subsidies to participants in re-entry

programs funded under items 8000-0655 and 8900-1100; provided further, that the executive office of housing and livable communities shall establish the amount of said subsidies so that executive office spending does not exceed the amount appropriated; and provided further, that not later than October 2, 2025, the executive office shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the program design and implementation, including the: (i) amount proposed for said subsidies; (ii) estimated number of individuals who would qualify for said subsidies, including the methodology for determining said subsidy amounts; (iii) number of individuals who qualify for said subsidies, including available demographic information; (iv) planned distribution of funds; (v) other reentry services and programs available to said participants; and (vi) amount of average subsidy in fiscal year 2026 compared to the preceding two fiscal years, prior appropriation continued $3,000,000

7004-9315 For the executive office of housing and livable communities, which may expend for the administration and monitoring of the low-income housing tax credit and local administration programs not more than $3,571,512 from fees collected under these programs; provided, that funds may be expended for the costs of administering and monitoring the programs, including the costs of personnel, subject to the approval of the secretary of housing and livable communities; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the executive office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $3,571,512

7004-9316 For a program to provide assistance in addressing obstacles to maintaining or securing housing for families with a household income: (i) not more than 30 per cent of area median income who are homeless and moving into subsidized or private housing or are at risk of becoming homeless; or (ii) more than 30 per cent but not more than 50 per cent of area median income who are homeless and moving into subsidized or private housing or are at risk of becoming homeless due to a significant reduction of income or increased expenses; provided, that assistance shall be administered by the executive office of housing and livable communities through contracts with the regional HomeBASE agencies; provided further, that not less than 50 per cent of the funds shall be provided to households with an income not more than 30 per cent of area median income, subject to the executive office's discretion based on data reflecting program demand and usage; provided further, that in distributing 50 per cent of the funds, the executive office shall prioritize those families most likely to otherwise require shelter services under item 7004-0101; provided further, that the amount of financial assistance shall not exceed $7,000 in any 12-month period; provided further, that residential assistance payments may be made through direct vendor payments according to standards to be established by the executive office; provided further, that the agencies shall establish a system for referring families approved for residential assistance payments, who the agencies determine would benefit from these services, to existing community-based programs that provide additional housing stabilization supports, including assistance in obtaining housing subsidies and locating alternative

housing that is safe and affordable for any such families; provided further, that the program shall be administered under guidelines established by the executive office; provided further, that income verification shall be conducted by using: (A) documentation provided by the household, requiring the same documentation and process used to conduct income verification under this item in fiscal year 2025 or fewer documents as directed by the executive office; (B) third-party income verification; or (C) validated receipt of certain MassHealth or department of transitional assistance benefits demonstrating that the household earns less than 50 per cent of area median income; provided further, that the manner in which income verification is conducted shall be at the discretion of the executive office but that the executive office shall not discontinue the use of said options for income verification listed in the preceding proviso; provided further, that the executive office shall allow a short, simple application requiring minimal processing time; provided further, that the executive office shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the: (1) number of families who applied for assistance; (2) number of families approved for assistance; (3) minimum, median and average amount of financial assistance awarded; (4) total amount of assistance awarded to date, including a breakdown by income category; and (5) number of families falling into each income category; provided further, that the executive office shall track a family's reason for assistance by the same categories used in said item 7004-0101; provided further, that not less than $3,000,000 shall be expended to provide assistance to households of all sizes and configurations including, but not limited to, elders, persons with disabilities and unaccompanied youths; provided further, that household assistance funds shall be advanced to the administering agencies at the end of each month and prior to the next month's disbursement, the amount of which shall be estimated based on the prior month's expenditure with a reconciliation not less than annually; provided further, that notwithstanding clauses (i) and (ii), funds shall be expended to families and individuals who are at risk of injury or harm due to domestic violence in their current housing situation and whose household income is not more than 60 per cent of the area median income; provided further, that families and individuals that are at risk of injury or harm from domestic violence who meet the qualifications of enrollment in the address confidentiality program shall be afforded the opportunity to register with and become enrolled in the address confidentiality program as offered by the secretary of the commonwealth; and provided further, that the executive office shall distribute funds under this item as well as said federal sources and other public and private sources of short-term rental and mortgage assistance in a manner that prioritizes geographic equity..... $207,477,715

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Office of the Secretary.

7002-0010 For the operation of the office of the secretary of economic development, including the operation of the Massachusetts permit regulatory office and the operation of the office of the director of wireless and broadband affairs; provided, that agencies within the executive office may, with the prior approval of the secretary,

streamline and improve administrative operations pursuant to interdepartmental service agreements; and provided further, that not less than $250,000 shall be expended to the Massachusetts LGBT Chamber of Commerce, Inc. $5,608,084

7002-0017 For the provision of information technology services within the executive office of economic development..... $2,093,580

7002-0025 For operational support grants to community action agencies; provided, that criteria for the distribution of the grants, including minimum or maximum grant size, eligible uses and any relevant reporting and accountability measures shall be developed jointly with the Massachusetts Association for Community Action, Inc. or MASSCAP; and provided further, that the grants shall be used to assist the agencies in their mission to assist residents of the commonwealth living with low incomes to stabilize their lives and achieve economic prosperity, and in creating and expanding opportunity for those residents in the neighborhoods and municipalities where they live and work $5,000,000

7002-0036 For a competitive grant program to work with urban entrepreneurs to promote small businesses, create new jobs and support workforce development and training initiatives in urban communities; provided, that the program shall be administered by the executive office of economic development; and provided further, that funds may be used for planning grants to local housing authorities and municipalities in urban areas to develop new affordable rental or homeownership housing $1,000,000

7002-0040 For a transfer to Massachusetts development finance agency for a small business technical assistance grant program to be administered by said agency's growth capital division; provided, that grants shall be disbursed to community development corporations certified under chapter 40H of the General Laws, nonprofit community development financial institutions certified by the United States Department of the Treasury or nonprofit community-based organizations to provide technical assistance or training programs to businesses with not more than 20 employees; and provided further, that priority shall be given to those organizations that focus on reaching underserved markets and to worker cooperatives and businesses governed by employee stock ownership plans..... $7,500,000

Gaming Economic Development Fund..... 100%

7002-1502 For the Transformative Development Fund established in section 46 of chapter 23G of the General Laws; provided, that the initiative shall be developed in consultation with the Massachusetts Association of Community Development Corporations and the Massachusetts Institute for a New Commonwealth, Inc. and shall focus on identifying and implementing strategies for reclaiming vacant, abandoned and blighted properties and restoring them to productive use as homeownership opportunities or rental housing, as well as on capacity-building at the local level to address this need..... $250,000

Gaming Economic Development Fund..... 61.76%
General Fund..... 38.24%

7002-1509 For an entrepreneur-in-residence program to be administered by the Massachusetts Technology Development Corporation doing business as MassVentures, or an affiliated not-for-profit entity, to encourage the part-time employment by institutions of higher education or their nonprofit affiliates of entrepreneurs who are not citizens of the United States and who desire to move to or remain in the commonwealth on a nonimmigrant status following a period of study for a masters or doctorate degree in the sciences, technological fields, engineering, mathematics, accounting, finance, economics, business or business administration; provided, that the program shall support entrepreneurs who have established, or who have the skills and demonstrate the intention to create, a new business venture in the commonwealth; and provided further, that the program shall support entrepreneurs and part-time employers who commit to apply for a nonimmigrant H-1B visa under § 101(a)(15)(h)(i)(b) of the federal Immigration and Nationality Act of 1965 ..... $500,000

Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation.

7006-0000 For the office of consumer affairs and business regulation, including expenses of an administrative services unit $1,770,468

7006-0043 For the office of consumer affairs and business regulation, which may expend not more than $995,452 from fees collected from the registration and renewal of home improvement contractor registrations under section 11 of chapter 142A of the General Laws for the administration and enforcement of the home improvement contractor registration program; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $995,452

Division of Banks.

7006-0010 For the operation of the division of banks; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the division shall assess 100 per cent of the amount appropriated in this item and the associated fringe benefit costs for personnel paid from this item upon financial institutions that the division currently regulates under section 2 of chapter 167 of the General Laws $26,543,261

7006-0011 For the costs incurred by the division of banks associated with licensure of loan originators under chapter 255F of the General Laws; provided, that the division may expend revenues of not more than $1,500,000 from the revenue received from administrative fees associated with the licensure fees and from civil administrative penalties collected under said chapter 255F; provided further, that funds shall be expended by the commissioner of banks as grants for the operation of a program for best lending practices, first-time homeowner counseling for nontraditional loans and not less than 10 foreclosure education centers under section 16 of chapter 206 of the acts of 2007 and that the grants shall be awarded through a

competitive application process using criteria established by the division; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the division may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $1,500,000

Division of Insurance.

7006-0020 For the operation of the division of insurance, including the expenses of the board of appeal on motor vehicle policies and bonds, the associated fringe benefit costs for personnel paid from this item, certain other costs of supervising motor vehicle liability insurance and the expenses of the fraudulent claims board; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, 100 per cent of the amount appropriated in this item and the associated fringe benefit costs for personnel paid from this item shall be assessed upon the institutions which the division currently regulates under general or special laws or regulations, except for licensed business entity producers; and provided further, that the assessment shall be in addition to any assessments currently assessed upon those institutions $16,990,405

7006-0029 For the operation of the health care access bureau under the division of insurance; provided, that the full amount appropriated in this item and the associated fringe benefit costs for personnel paid from this item shall be assessed upon the carriers licensed under chapters 175, 176A, 176B, 176E and 176G of the General Laws, as provided in section 7A of chapter 26 of the General Laws $1,085,781

Division of Occupational Licensure.

7006-0040 For the operation and administration of the division of occupational licensure $12,286,344

7006-0142 For the administration of the office of public safety and inspections under the division of occupational licensure, which may expend not more than $19,916,561 in revenues collected from fees or fines for annual elevator inspections, building inspections, amusement park ride inspections, state building code trainings and courses of instruction, licensing of pipefitters and hoisting equipment operators, all licensing programs administered by the office of public safety and inspections, revenues from fines collected under section 65 of chapter 143 of the General Laws and fees for appeals of civil fines issued under section 22 of chapter 22 of the General Laws and said section 65 of said chapter 143; provided, that funds shall be expended for the administration of the office of public safety and inspections including, but not limited to: (i) inspectional services; (ii) licensing services; (iii) the architectural access board; (iv) elevator inspections; (v) building inspections; and (vi) amusement device inspections; provided further, that the division shall employ not less than 70 full-time equivalent elevator inspectors, including an additional engineer, and that funds shall be expended to address the existing elevator inspection backlog and to defray the costs associated with performing overtime elevator

inspections; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate $19,916,561

Division of Standards.

7006-0060 For the operation of the division of standards $1,804,487

7006-0064 For the division of standards' oversight of motor vehicle repair shops $320,000

7006-0065 For the division of standards, which may retain not more than $875,432 from registration fees and fines collected under sections 184B to 184E, inclusive, of chapter 94 of the General Laws and section 56D of chapter 98 of the General Laws to support its enforcement activities as provided under subsection (h) of section 184D of said chapter 94 and from revenues received from item-pricing violations collected through municipal inspection efforts and from weights and measures fees and fines collected from cities and towns for enforcement of weights and measures laws; provided, that notwithstanding said subsection (h) of said section 184D of said chapter 94, the division shall not fund the municipal grant program as provided under said subsection (h) of said section 184D of said chapter 94; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the division may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $875,432

7006-0066 For the support of municipal inspection efforts at the division of standards; provided, that not more than 15 per cent of the amount appropriated in this item shall be expended for administrative costs of the division $160,372

Department of Telecommunications and Cable.

7006-0071 For the operation of the department of telecommunications and cable; provided, that notwithstanding the second sentence of section 7 of chapter 25C of the General Laws, the assessments levied for fiscal year 2026 shall be made at a rate sufficient to produce 100 per cent of the amount appropriated in this item and the associated fringe benefit costs for personnel paid from this item $3,477,895

Massachusetts Office of Business Development.

7007-0150 For the Massachusetts office of business development for contracts with regional economic development organizations under the program established under sections 3J and 3K of chapter 23A of the General Laws $1,000,000

7007-0300 For the operation of the Massachusetts office of business development, including the operation of the Massachusetts international trade office and for marketing and promoting the commonwealth to attract and retain targeted businesses and industries $1,600,071

7007-0500 For the operation and maintenance of the Massachusetts Biomedical Initiatives, Inc. for the commercialization of new, academic-based research and development and raising the scientific awareness of the communities of the commonwealth; provided, that the institute, in collaboration with the office of business development, shall expend not less than $250,000 for initiatives to increase diversity in the fields of life sciences and biotechnology in the commonwealth; provided further, that such initiatives may include, but shall not be limited to: (i) investments in minority-owned businesses; (ii) grants to school districts with significant minority student populations for the development of curricula, purchase of equipment and the provision of internships; (iii) planning and implementation of strategies to recruit, develop and retain a diverse workforce in the fields of life sciences and biotechnology; and (iv) identifying structural and cultural obstacles to the full inclusion of diverse population in the life sciences and biotechnology field, along with recommendations for removing those obstacles; provided further, that not later than January 30, 2026, the institute shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the development, implementation and success of these initiatives, including the disbursement of funds to specific entities as defined in this item; and provided further, that the institute shall seek out private funds necessary to match contributions equal to $1 for every $1 contributed by this item $750,000

7007-0800 For a state matching grant for the small business development center; provided, that no funds shall be expended from this item until the United States Small Business Administration has made a payment or has executed a contract to pay the University of Massachusetts at Amherst for the operation of the center; provided further, that the funds expended from this item shall not exceed 25 per cent of the gross operating cost of the center; provided further, that not more than $300,000 from this item shall be expended for federal procurement technical assistance services within the center; provided further, that such services shall include, but not be limited to, assisting businesses in securing federal contracts, obtaining contract financing, generating responses to requests for proposals, interpreting bid documents, providing educational workshops and seminars and for the electronic identification and tracking of federal bid opportunities; and provided further, that funds expended for federal procurement technical assistance services within the center shall be subject to the receipt of matching funds from federal or private sources, including the United States Department of Defense $1,426,222

7007-0952 For the operation of the Commonwealth Zoological Corporation established in chapter 92B of the General Laws; provided, that funds appropriated in this item shall be expended to promote private fundraising, achieve self-sufficiency and serve as a catalyst for urban economic development and job opportunities for local residents; provided further, that the corporation shall take all steps necessary to increase the amount of private funding available for the operation of

the zoos; provided further, that funding in this item shall not be transferred through interdepartmental service agreements; provided further, that not later than February 2, 2026, the corporation shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the status of, and amounts collected from, the private fundraising and enhanced revenue efforts identified in the draft Massachusetts zoos business and operations plan dated December 1996; and provided further, that funds may be expended on a matching program to encourage private and corporate donations to support the Franklin Park zoo and the Walter D. Stone Memorial zoo $5,750,000

Massachusetts Marketing Partnership.

7008-0900 For the operation and administration of the office of travel and tourism; provided, that the office shall be the commonwealth's official and lead agency to facilitate and attract: (i) major sports events and championships; and (ii) motion picture production and development; and provided further, that not later than March 6, 2026 the office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (A) an overview of the tourism industry in the commonwealth; (B) the economic impact of domestic and international travelers to the commonwealth; (C) a breakdown of the regional tourism council grant allocations; and (D) initiatives undertaken to promote travel and tourism in the commonwealth $283,203

7008-1116 For the commonwealth's local economic development projects $100,000

7008-1300 For the operation of the Massachusetts international trade office..... $152,565

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF EDUCATION.

Office of the Secretary.

7009-1700 For the operation of information technology services within the executive office of education $25,916,703

7009-6379 For the operation of the office of the secretary of education $3,206,848

7009-6600 For the development and initial implementation of high-quality early college programs; provided, that such programs shall incorporate the guiding principles of designated early college pathways, as developed jointly by the department of higher education and the department of elementary and secondary education; provided further, that priority shall be given to programs that serve students who are currently underrepresented in college; and provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months..... $14,205,894

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

7010-0005 For the operation of the department of elementary and secondary education; provided, that notwithstanding chapter 66A of the General Laws, the department of elementary and secondary education, the department of early education and care, the department of children

and families and the disabled persons protection commission may share with each other personal data regarding students who receive services in special education programs approved, licensed, monitored or regulated by the department of elementary and secondary education and the department of early education and care to carry out their respective responsibilities under state and federal law; and provided further, that the department of elementary and secondary education may fund direct support to teachers and administrators who are providing services to assist in state education initiatives $13,321,738

7010-0012 For grants to cities, towns and regional school districts for payments of certain costs and related expenses for the program to eliminate racial imbalance, established under section 12A of chapter 76 of the General Laws; provided, that funds shall be made available for payment for services rendered by the Metropolitan Council for Educational Opportunity (METCO), Inc. and Springfield public schools; provided further, that all grant applications submitted to and approved by the department of elementary and secondary education shall include a detailed line item budget specifying how such funds shall be allocated and expended; provided further, that not later than January 2, 2026, the department shall submit a report to the joint committee on education and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the impact of the grant program on student outcomes, the expenditure of funds by districts and the extent to which the services rendered by METCO support the goals of the grant program; and provided further, that funds appropriated in this item for fiscal year 2026 shall not revert to the General Fund but shall be available until December 31, 2026 ..... $29,908,286

7010-0033 For literacy and early literacy grant programs; provided, that literacy and early literacy programs receiving funding through this item shall submit ongoing evaluations and documentation of outcomes to the department of elementary and secondary education; provided further, that said evaluations shall be compared to measurable goals and benchmarks developed by the department; provided further, that not less than $440,000 shall be expended for HILL for Literacy, Inc.; provided further, that funds provided to HILL for Literacy, Inc. in fiscal year 2026, may be expended through June 30, 2027; and provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months $5,716,683

7010-1192 For grants to cities, towns, school districts and nonprofit entities for educational improvement projects; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, no funds shall be transferred from this item to any other item of appropriation; and provided further, that funds shall be expended fully and, on a schedule, consistent with the provisions of section 9B of chapter 29 of the General Laws $100,000

7010-1193 For grants to support civics education programs; provided, that not less than $500,000 shall be expended for the implementation of a program to support civics education learning opportunities in coordination with the John Fitzgerald Kennedy Library Foundation, Incorporated, that focuses on underserved communities and other communities, across the commonwealth; and provided further, that not less than $500,000 shall be expended for the Edward M. Kennedy

Institute for the United States Senate, Inc. to expand civics education programs, including investments in curriculum and technology $1,000,000

7010-1196 For programs and services offered by Smart from the Start, Inc. to promote the healthy development of young children and their families living in underserved communities in the city of Boston through trauma-informed, multi-generational family support and community engagement $600,000

7027-0019 For school-to-career connecting activities; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the board of elementary and secondary education, in cooperation with the executive office of labor and workforce development and the state workforce investment board, may establish and support a public-private partnership to link high school students with economic and learning opportunities on the job as part of the school-to-career transition program; provided further, that this program may include the award of matching grants to workforce investment boards or other local public-private partnerships involving local community job commitments and worksite learning opportunities for students; provided further, that the grants shall require at least a 200 per cent match in wages for the students from private sector participants; provided further, that the program shall include, but not be limited to, a provision that business leaders commit resources to pay salaries, to provide mentoring and instruction on the job and to work closely with teachers; provided further, that public funds shall pay for the costs of connecting schools and businesses to ensure that students serve productively on the job; and provided further, that the program shall partner with the YouthWorks program at the Commonwealth Corporation to develop appropriate connections between the 2 programs..... $6,531,266

7027-0020 For the implementation, operation and expansion of innovation pathway programs; provided, that such programs shall incorporate the guiding principles of innovation pathway programs, as developed jointly by the department of elementary and secondary education and the department of higher education; and provided further, that preference shall be given to programs that encourage career opportunities in high demand industries $4,808,927

7027-1004 For services that improve outcomes for English language learners, including, but not limited to, English language acquisition professional development to improve the academic performance of English language learners; provided, that funds shall be expended to implement the programs under chapter 71A of the General Laws; provided further, that funds may be expended for the professional development of vocational-technical educators who educate English language learners; provided further, that funds may be expended to administer the requirements under chapter 138 of the acts of 2017; provided further, that not less than $1,000,000 shall be expended on grants to high-quality, intensive English language learning programs in districts serving gateway municipalities as defined under section 3A of chapter 23A of the General Laws; provided further, that funds shall be expended for districts to provide support for middle and high school students deemed to be at risk of dropping out of school as a result of language barriers or challenges in English language

acquisition; and provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months $3,696,331

7028-0031 For the expenses of school-age children in institutional schools under section 12 of chapter 71B of the General Laws; provided, that the department of elementary and secondary education may provide special education services to eligible incarcerated persons in houses of correction; and provided further, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall continue to collaborate with the department of youth services to align curriculum at the department of youth services with the statewide curriculum frameworks and to support the reintegration of youth from facilities at the department of youth services into regular public school settings $8,760,943

7035-0001 For a program to be run by the department of elementary and secondary education for planning grants and implementation grants for regional and local partnerships to expand existing and develop new career and technical education programs; provided, that preference shall be given in awarding planning and implementation grants to vocational schools with demonstrable waitlists for admission $3,118,500

7035-0002 For the provision and improvement of adult basic education services; provided, that grants shall be distributed to a diverse network of organizations that have demonstrated a commitment and an effectiveness in the provision of such services and that are selected competitively by the department of elementary and secondary education; provided further, that such grants shall support the successful transition of students from other adult basic education programs to community college certificate and degree-granting programs; provided further, that the grants shall be contingent upon satisfactory levels of performance as defined and determined by the department; provided further, that preference in awarding grants shall be given to organizations providing services to high percentages of parents of infants, toddlers and preschool and school-age children; provided further, that funds shall be expended to reduce the waitlist of students for English language learning services; provided further, that grants shall not be considered an entitlement to a grant recipient; provided further, that the department shall consult with community colleges and other service providers in supporting and implementing content, performance and professional standards for adult basic education programs and services; provided further, that the department shall fund a professional development system to provide training and support for adult basic education programs and services; provided further, that funds shall be expended on phase two pay-for-performance contracts based on outcomes-based contract measuring and funding services that result in employment and wage gains and that require bridge funding while final performance results are analyzed; and provided further, that efforts shall be taken to reduce the wait list $58,923,560

7035-0006 For reimbursements to regional school districts for the transportation of pupils; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the commonwealth's obligation shall not exceed the amount appropriated in this item $57,119,862

7035-0008 For reimbursements to cities, towns and regional school districts for the cost of transportation of nonresident pupils as required by the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, Public Law 100-77, as amended; provided, that not later than February 18, 2026, the department of elementary and secondary education shall submit to the house and senate committees on ways and means a preliminary estimate of the costs eligible for reimbursement under this item in fiscal year 2027; and provided further, that the commonwealth's obligation shall not exceed the amount appropriated in this item $28,671,815

7035-0035 For a competitively bid, statewide, performance-based integrated program to increase participation and performance in advanced placement courses, particularly among underserved populations, to prepare students for college and career success in science, technology, engineering, mathematics and English; provided, that funds shall support all of the following program elements for each school: (i) open access to courses; (ii) identifying underserved students and increasing their rates of participation in advanced placement courses; (iii) equipment and supplies for new and expanded advanced placement courses; (iv) support for the costs of advanced placement exams; and (v) support for student study sessions; provided further, that these funds may support teacher professional development, including a College Board-endorsed advanced placement summer institute for math, science and English advanced placement teachers; provided further, that said program shall provide a matching amount of not less than $1,000,000 in private funding for direct support of educators; provided further, that funds shall be disbursed by the beginning of the 2025-2026 school year to cover costs expended between August 1, 2025 and July 31, 2026, inclusive; provided further, that this program shall work in conjunction with an existing, separately funded, statewide pre-advanced placement program; and provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months $2,000,320

7053-1909 For reimbursements to cities and towns for partial assistance in the furnishing of lunches to school children, including partial assistance in the furnishing of lunches to school children under section 6 of chapter 548 of the acts of 1948, as inserted by chapter 538 of the acts of 1951, and for supplementing funds allocated for the special milk program; provided, that authorized payments in the aggregate for partial assistance in the furnishing of lunches to school children shall not exceed the required state revenue match contained in the federal National School Lunch Act, 42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq., as amended, and implementing regulations; and provided further, that all cities and towns shall publish and disseminate meal charge policies in accordance with the United States Department of Agriculture guidance memorandum SP 46-2016, issued July 8, 2016, in a format that is easily accessible and, if possible, made available for parents and guardians before the start of the 2025-2026 school year, but not later than September 30, 2025 ..... $5,314,176

7053-1925 For the school breakfast program for public and nonpublic schools and for grants to improve summer food programs during the summer school vacation period; provided, that within the summer food program, priority shall be given to extending such programs for the full summer vacation period and promoting increased participation in such

programs; provided further, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall solicit proposals from returning sponsors and school food authorities in time for implementation of such grant program during the summer of 2026; provided further, that such grants shall only be awarded to sponsors who can demonstrate their intent to offer full summer programs or increase participation; provided further, that the department shall require sufficient reporting from each grantee to measure the success of such grant program; provided further, that not later than April 1, 2026, the department shall select grantees for the program authorized by this item; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the universal school breakfast program through which all children in schools receiving funds under such program shall be provided free, nutritious breakfast; provided further, that subject to regulations by the board of education that specify time and learning standards, breakfast shall be served during regular school hours; provided further, that participation shall be limited to those elementary schools mandated to serve breakfast under section 1C of chapter 69 of the General Laws where not less than 60 per cent of the students are eligible for free or reduced price meals under the federally-funded school meals program; provided further, that not later than November 14, 2025, the department shall select school sites for programs authorized by this item and shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the preliminary results of these grants not later than February 6, 2026; provided further, that kindergarten to grade 12, inclusive, public schools that are required to serve breakfast under said section 1C of said chapter 69 and where not less than 60 per cent of students are eligible for free or reduced price meals shall offer school breakfast after the instructional day has begun and the tardy bell rings; provided further, that not later than September 4, 2025, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the status of school district compliance with this requirement including, but not limited to, all data regarding breakfast-delivery models utilized and participation rates; and provided further, that not less than $700,000 shall be expended for a grant with Project Bread-The Walk for Hunger, Inc., to enhance and expand the summer food service outreach program and the school breakfast outreach program, prior appropriation continued $4,467,639

7061-0008 For school aid to cities, towns, regional school districts, counties maintaining agricultural schools, independent vocational schools and independent agricultural and technical schools to be distributed under chapters 70 and 76 of the General Laws and section 3 ..... $7,121,968,717

General Fund 96.41%
Student Opportunity Act Investment Fund 2.91%
Education Fund 0.68%

7061-0012 For the reimbursement of extraordinary special education costs under section 5A of chapter 71B of the General Laws; provided, that the approved costs threshold for fiscal year 2026 shall be as defined in said section 5A of said chapter 71B and the program shall reimburse municipalities for both the eligible instructional costs and for the cost of required out-of-district transportation associated with implementing individual education plans of students receiving special education services in a manner consistent with said section 5A of said chapter 71B; provided further, that notwithstanding section 27 of chapter 132

of the acts of 2019, the program shall reimburse 75 per cent of all required out-of-district transportation costs eligible for reimbursement in fiscal year 2026; provided further, that reimbursements shall be prorated as necessary so that the expenses of this item shall not exceed the amount appropriated in this item; provided further, that upon receipt by the department of elementary and secondary education of required special education cost reports from school districts, the department of elementary and secondary education shall reimburse districts based on fiscal year 2025 claims; provided further, that the department of elementary and secondary education may expend funds to continue and expand voluntary residential placement prevention programs between the department of elementary and secondary education and other departments within the executive office of health and human services that develop community-based support services for children and their families; provided further, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall provide not less than $2,000,000 to the department of developmental services for the voluntary residential placement prevention program; provided further, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall fully cooperate in providing information and assistance necessary for the department of developmental services to maximize federal reimbursement and to effectively serve students in less restrictive settings; provided further, that not less than $750,000 shall be expended for students with intellectual disabilities through the Massachusetts chapter of Best Buddies International, Inc.; provided further, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall expend not less than $200,000: (i) to provide books in accessible synthetic audio format that are made available through the federal National Instructional Materials Access Center repository; and (ii) for outreach to and training of teachers and students on the use of National Instructional Materials Accessibility Standard format and the use of human speech audio digital textbooks; provided further, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall expend funds for the costs of borrowing audio textbooks by special education students; provided further, that funds may be expended for the monitoring and follow-up activities of the department of elementary and secondary education's complaint management system, review and approval of local educational authority applications and local school districts' compliance with the requirements of part B of the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, as amended in 2004, by the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004, Public Law 108-446, 20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq., in the provision of special education and related services to children with disabilities; provided further, that funds may be expended to administer the reimbursements funded in this item; provided further, that funds may be expended to reimburse districts for extraordinary increases in costs incurred during fiscal year 2026 that would be reimbursable under said section 5A of said chapter 71B; provided further, that reimbursements for current year costs shall be limited to school districts that experience increases of greater than 25 per cent from costs reimbursable under said section 5A of said chapter 71B and incurred during fiscal year 2025 to costs reimbursable under said section 5A of said chapter 71B and incurred during fiscal year 2026 or other cases of extraordinary hardship where special education costs increase in relationship to total district costs as the department of elementary and secondary education may define through regulations or guidelines; provided

further, that reimbursements for current year costs shall be allocated as 1-time grants and shall not decrease reimbursements in the following fiscal year; provided further, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall conduct audits of fiscal year 2025 claims; provided further, that if the fiscal year 2025 claims are found to be inaccurate, the department of elementary and secondary education shall recalculate the fiscal year 2026 reimbursement amount and adjust the third and fourth quarter payments to the districts to reflect the new reimbursement amount; provided further, that not later than January 30, 2026, the department of elementary and secondary education shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the results of the audit; and provided further, that not later than February 27, 2026, the department of elementary and secondary education shall submit to the house and senate committees on ways and means a preliminary estimate of the costs eligible for reimbursement through this item in fiscal year 2027, prior appropriation continued $484,677,484

7061-0029 For the office of school and district accountability established under section 55A of chapter 15 of the General Laws; provided, that notwithstanding said section 55A of said chapter 15, the office shall perform not less than 20 school district audits for fiscal year 2026 ..... $1,590,112

7061-0033 For a reserve to assist towns negatively impacted by shortfalls in federal impact aid for the education of children in families employed by the federal government on military reservations located within a town's limits; provided, that any grants provided under this item shall be expended by a school committee without further appropriation $1,285,500

7061-9010 For fiscal year 2026 reimbursements to certain cities, towns and regional school districts of charter school tuition and the per-pupil capital facilities component included in the charter school tuition amount for commonwealth charter schools, as calculated under subsections (ff) and (gg) of section 89 of chapter 71 of the General Laws; provided, that notwithstanding said subsection (ff) of said section 89 of said chapter 71 or any other general or special law to the contrary, the per-pupil capital facilities component of the commonwealth charter school tuition rate for fiscal year 2026 shall be $1,188; provided further, that under section 25 of chapter 132 of the acts of 2019, the department shall provide under this appropriation not less than 100 per cent of the total eligible state obligation in fiscal year 2026; and provided further, that if the amount appropriated is insufficient to fully fund all reimbursements required by said section 89 of said chapter 71, the department shall fund the reimbursements in accordance with the following priorities: (i) the payment of the first year tuition for students previously enrolled in a private or parochial school or students who are homeschooled; (ii) the payment of tuition for siblings where required by subsection (i) of said section 89 of said chapter 71; (iii) the per-pupil capital facilities component; (iv) the 100 per cent increase reimbursement; and (v) the remaining increase reimbursements, beginning with the most recent year $198,988,065

7061-9200 For the department's education data analysis and support for local districts $1,254,297

7061-9400 For student and school assessment, including the administration of the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System exam established by the board of elementary and secondary education under sections 1D and 1I of chapter 69 of the General Laws and for grants to school districts to develop portfolio assessments for use in individual classrooms as an enhancement to student assessment; provided, that the portfolio assessments shall not replace the statewide standardized assessment based on the curriculum frameworks; provided further, that funds may be expended for any further exams approved by the board under said sections; provided further, that funds may also be expended on the development and implementation of related curriculum standards and instructional support; provided further, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall expend funds for school and student assessment in accordance with the determination made by the board of elementary and secondary education as to the method of assessment in the 2025-2026 school year; provided further, that funding may be expended for the development of new high school assessments and assessments in history and social science; and provided further, that all school assessments shall center on the academic standards embodied in the curriculum frameworks and shall involve gauges which shall be relevant and meaningful to students, parents, teachers, administrators and taxpayers under the first paragraph of said section 1I of said chapter 69 ..... $41,141,280

7061-9406 For a statewide college and career readiness program implemented by JFYNetWorks, a nonprofit corporation, to: (i) provide online instructional curricula to help students meet the Massachusetts State Standards at each grade level and reduce learning loss and achievement gaps; and (ii) prepare students for required assessments and college placement tests in middle and high schools $875,000

7061-9408 For targeted assistance and support to schools and districts at risk of or determined to be underperforming or chronically underperforming under sections 1J and 1K of chapter 69 of the General Laws, including schools and districts that have been identified as in need of “focused support/targeted support” or “broad/comprehensive support” within the state’s framework for accountability and assistance under departmental regulations and guidelines; provided, that no funds shall be expended in any school or district that fails to file a comprehensive school or district plan under section 1I of said chapter 69; provided further, that the department shall only approve reform plans with proven, replicable results in improving student performance, using research-based effective practices for turnaround to build multi-tiered systems of support; provided further, that the department shall only prioritize funding for turnaround efforts which are based on the turnaround practices identified by the department as key focus areas for successful school turnaround including, but not limited to: (i) leadership, shared responsibility and professional collaboration; (ii) intentional practices for improving student instruction; (iii) student specific supports and instruction provided to all students; and (iv) school climate and culture that provide a safe, orderly and respectful environment for students and families; provided further, that in carrying out this item, the department may contract with school support specialists, turnaround partners and such other external assistance as necessary in the expert opinion of the commissioner of elementary

and secondary education to successfully turn around failing school and district performance; provided further, that no funds shall be expended on targeted assistance unless the department has approved, as part of the comprehensive district improvement plan, a professional development plan that addresses the needs of the district as determined by the department; provided further, that grants made under this item shall be awarded in coordination with the departments of early education and care and higher education; provided further, that funds shall be available for the establishment of a new school leadership initiative through cohort-based training and coaching; provided further, that funds may be expended for the purchase of instructional materials under section 57 of chapter 15 of the General Laws; provided further, that no funds shall be expended on instructional materials except where the purchase of such materials is part of a comprehensive plan to align the school or district curriculum with the Massachusetts curriculum frameworks; provided further, that preference in distributing funds shall be given to proposals that coordinate reform efforts within all schools in a district in order to prevent conflicts between multiple reforms and interventions among the schools, and which demonstrate innovative approaches that have improved student performance including, but not limited to, partnerships between community-based organizations and school districts; provided further, that not later than January 15, 2026, the department shall submit a report describing and analyzing all targeted assistance efforts funded by this item; provided further, that the report shall be submitted to the secretary of administration and finance, the senate president, the speaker of the house, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on education; provided further, that no funds shall be expended on recurring school or school district expenditures unless the department and school district have developed a long-term plan to fund such expenditures from the district's operational budget; provided further, that for the purposes of this item, appropriated funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months; and provided further, that any funds distributed from this item to a city, town or regional school district shall be deposited with the treasurer of such city, town or regional school district and held in a separate account and shall be expended by the school committee of such city, town or regional school district without further appropriation, notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary..... $16,454,430

7061-9601 For the department of elementary and secondary education; provided, that the department shall expend not more than $2,724,542 for teacher preparation and certification services from fees related to such services; and provided further, that for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system..... $2,724,542

7061-9607 For the administrative and programmatic costs of recovery high schools; provided, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall work collaboratively with the bureau of substance addiction services for the successful transition and continued operation of the recovery high schools model; provided further, that

not later than April 1, 2026, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to, the: (i) number of youths served per high school; (ii) outcomes measured for youths; and (iii) recommendations for new recovery high schools in fiscal year 2026 and fiscal year 2027; and provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for the implementation of recovery high schools $2,900,289

7061-9611 For grants or subsidies for after-school and out-of-school programs; provided, that preference shall be given to after-school proposals developed collaboratively and that support quality enhancements and increased access to after-school and summer learning programs by public and nonpublic schools and private community-based programs; provided further, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall fund only those applications which contain accountability systems and measurable outcomes, under guidelines to be determined by the department in consultation with the department of early education and care; provided further, that applicants shall detail funds received from all public sources for existing after-school and out-of-school programs and the types of programs and students served by the funds; provided further, that funds shall be expended for services that actively include children with disabilities in after-school programs that also serve nondisabled children, and services that include children for whom English is a second language and children identified as low-income; provided further, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall consult with the executive office of health and human services and the department of early education and care to maximize the provision of wrap-around services and to coordinate programs and services for children and youths during after-school and out-of-school programs; provided further, that not later than September 30, 2025, the department of elementary and secondary education shall select the grant recipients and shall report on the preliminary results of said grants not later than January 9, 2026 to the secretary of administration and finance, the joint committee on education and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months; provided further, that funds shall be expended to convene regional networks to work with the department of elementary and secondary education and the department of early education and care to support the implementation of school and community partnerships; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the continued operation of a pilot data-sharing program designed to provide school districts with funds to partner with local community-based organizations and share identifiable student data to the extent allowed by law; and provided further, that not later than June 30, 2026, the grantee shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the effects of the pilot program on students participating in the programs partnered with the school districts $7,272,449

7061-9612 For the implementation of subsection (f) of section 1P of chapter 69 of the General Laws to create safe and supportive school environments; provided, that funds shall be expended for the safe and supportive schools grant program and for a full-time staff member devoted to carrying out the responsibilities under said subsection (f) of said section 1P of said chapter 69; provided further, that funds shall be expended

for: (i) an annual statewide safe and supportive schools conference that shall highlight the grant program, include presentations by grantee schools and districts about their work, teach attendees about the safe and supportive schools framework and self-assessment tool, include presentations about the grant application process and emphasize best practices for incorporating developmentally appropriate input from students into safe and supportive schools grant applications and school-wide action plans; (ii) expert technological assistance in upgrading the usability of the online self-assessment tool; and (iii) an evaluation of the grant program; provided further, that funds shall be expended for leadership development sessions to inform superintendents and principals and other school leaders about the grant program and promising practices for leading the work to create safe and supportive school and district cultures; provided further, that grants shall be awarded to schools and school district teams that create schoolwide action plans based on all the elements of the safe and supportive schools framework and self-assessment tool; provided further, that grant awards shall be prioritized for applications that include a process for developmentally appropriate input from students who are reflective of the school population; provided further, that schools receiving continuation grants to implement schoolwide action plans shall incorporate such action plans into their school improvement plans developed under section 1I of said chapter 69; provided further, that the safe and supportive schools commission shall conduct an analysis of such school-wide action plans and school improvement plans, which the department shall provide to the commission, and shall include in its annual report the results of such analysis and any recommendations, including any recommendations related to improving the framework or the self-assessment tool; provided further, that not later than November 3, 2025, grant awards under this item shall be allocated by the department of elementary and secondary education to schools and school districts; provided further, that districts shall create district plans that support recipient schools; and provided further, that any unexpended funds in this item shall not revert to the General Fund but shall be made available for this item until June 30, 2027 ..... $670,086

7061-9619 For the Benjamin Franklin Cummings Institute of Technology; provided, that the institute shall have access to the Massachusetts education computer system; and provided further, that the institute may join the state buying consortium..... $1

7061-9624 For the School of Excellence program at the Worcester Polytechnic Institute; provided, that every effort shall be made to recruit and serve equal numbers of male and female students; provided further, that sending districts of students attending the Institute shall not be required to expend any funds for the cost of these students while in attendance at the Institute; and provided further, that the Massachusetts Academy of Math and Science at the Worcester Polytechnic Institute shall provide professional development activities at the academy, including salary and benefits for teachers and visiting scholars..... $2,000,000

7061-9626 For grants to the members of the Massachusetts YouthBuild Coalition, Inc., for the purpose of providing comprehensive education, workforce training and skills development to youth..... $1,750,000

7061-9634 For the Mass Mentoring Partnership, Inc., which shall be responsible for administering a competitive statewide grant program for public and private agencies to start or expand youth mentoring programs according to current best practices and for purposes including advancing academic performance, self-esteem, social competence and workforce development; provided, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall transfer the amount appropriated in this item to the Mass Mentoring Partnership, Inc., for these grants; provided further, that in order to be eligible to receive funds from this item, each public or private agency shall provide a matching amount equal to $1 for every $1 disbursed from this item; and provided further, that not later than March 13, 2026, the Mass Mentoring Partnership, Inc. shall submit a report to the department detailing the impact of the grants, expenditure of funds and the amount and source of matching funds raised..... $1,500,000

7061-9650 For the Supporting Healthy Alliances Reinforcing Education (SHARE) grant program to provide an integrated student wellness grant program to assist schools with addressing non-academic barriers to student success; provided, that grants shall be used to support school districts establishing an infrastructure to facilitate integrated coordination of school and community-based resources including, but not limited to, social services, mental health and behavioral health resources; provided further, that not less than $500,000 shall be awarded by the department to schools and school districts serving high percentages of low-income students; provided further, that said supports may include funding to assist public school districts in contracting with licensed community-based health care service providers, including mental and behavioral health providers; provided further, that said program shall be administered by the department of elementary and secondary education in coordination with the executive office of health and human services; provided further, that the department shall prioritize applications for such services that are submitted by school districts whose applications are consistent with infrastructure and coordination efforts linking schools to community-based resources in accordance with item 7061-9612 of section 2 of chapter 154 of the acts of 2018; provided further, that such support grants may be expended to assist school districts in connecting students with community-based services to maximize coordination with service providers and establish more comprehensive continuums of care; provided further, that such grants may also be expended to support increased professional development opportunities for public school employees to identify students in need of mental and behavioral health support; provided further, that not later than December 30, 2025, the department shall issue a report outlining all student support efforts funded by this item; provided further, that the report shall be provided to the senate president, the speaker of the house, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on education; provided further, that for the purposes of this item, appropriated funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months; provided further, that any unexpended funds in this item shall not revert but shall be made available for the purposes of this item until August 28, 2026; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any funds distributed from this item to a city, town or regional

school district shall be deposited with the treasurer of such city, town or regional school district and held in a separate account and shall be expended by the school committee of such city, town or regional school district without further appropriation, notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary $1,000,000

7061-9813 For rural school aid to eligible towns and regional school districts, excluding vocational schools, independent agricultural, technical schools and charter schools; provided, that a school district shall be eligible for rural school aid if a school district has a student density of not more than 35 students per square mile and an average annual per capita income of not more than the average annual per capita income for the commonwealth for the same period; provided further, that rural school aid shall be allocated equitably in the following priority order: (i) school districts serving less than 11 students per square mile; (ii) school districts serving not more than 21 students per square mile; and (iii) school districts serving not more than 35 students per square mile; provided further, that not later than December 1, 2025, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (a) its recommendations for additional adjustments to the rural school aid calculation for fiscal year 2027 to improve the accuracy and equity of the student density component and the per capita income component; and (b) the calculation and planned distribution of funds to school districts; provided further, that not later than January 30, 2026, any district receiving funds under this item shall submit a plan to the department of elementary and secondary education outlining steps the district will take to increase regional collaboration, consolidation or other efficiencies over the next 3 fiscal years; provided further, that not later than April 1, 2026, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall submit a report to the joint committee on education and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing steps that participating districts have taken in regionalization and consolidation; and provided further, that funds distributed from this item shall not be considered chapter 70 aid for the calculation of the minimum required local contribution for fiscal year 2027 ..... $7,500,000

7061-9814 For a competitive grant program to support the development and expansion of high-quality, comprehensive summer learning opportunities for students in districts with high concentrations of low-income students; provided, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall develop the criteria for grants; provided further, that grants shall be awarded to programs that: (i) include not less than 150 hours of programming with a focus on academic and college and career readiness skills, including critical thinking, collaboration and perseverance; (ii) are research-based summer programs; and (iii) engage with a variety of organizations and leverage cost-sharing partnerships with local districts, private funders and nonprofit institutions; provided further, that in awarding grants, the department may consider the amount of federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief funding received by a district; provided further, that, for districts that the department determines have received substantial federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief funding, preference in awarding grants may be given to those districts that commit to not less than a 100 per cent match in federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief

funds; provided further, that grant awards shall not be contingent upon a match in federal funding for those districts that the department determines have not received substantial federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief funding; and provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months $2,970,000

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

Department of Higher Education.

7066-0000 For the operation of the department of higher education; provided, that the department shall recommend savings proposals that permit public institutions of higher education to achieve administrative and program cost reductions, resource reallocation and program reassessment and to utilize resources otherwise available to such institutions; provided further, that not less than $1,000,000 shall be expended for the state university internship incentive program established in item 7066-0000 of section 2 of chapter 139 of the acts of 2012; provided further, that the commonwealth shall contribute funds to each institution in an amount necessary to match private contributions in the current fiscal year to the institution's internship incentive program; provided further, that the commonwealth's contribution shall be equal to $1 for every $1 privately contributed to each university's board of trustees or foundation; provided further, that the maximum total contributions from the commonwealth shall be not more than the amount appropriated in this item; provided further, that funds from this program shall not result in a direct or an indirect reduction in the commonwealth's appropriations to the institutions for operations, scholarships, financial aid or any state appropriation and the department shall promulgate regulations and criteria for the program; provided further, that in order to meet the estimated costs of employee fringe benefits provided by the commonwealth on account of employees of the Massachusetts State College Building Authority and the University of Massachusetts Building Authority and in order to meet the estimated cost of heat, light, power and other services, if any, to be furnished by the commonwealth to projects of these authorities, the boards of trustees of the community colleges, state universities and the University of Massachusetts shall transfer to the General Fund, from the funds received from the operations of the projects, the costs, if any, as shall be incurred by the commonwealth for these purposes in the current fiscal year as determined by the appropriate building authority, verified by the commissioner of higher education and approved by the secretary of administration and finance; provided further, that not less than $150,000 shall be expended for a campus violence prevention administrator and such other activities as are needed to fund the full

implementation of chapter 337 of the acts of 2020 to advance statewide campus safety initiatives, including sexual violence prevention; and provided further, that funds shall be expended to meet existing statutory requirements and provide orientation, professional development and support for the boards of trustees in areas including, but not limited to, recruitment, training and accountability $4,200,965

7066-0009 For the New England Board of Higher Education $374,740

7066-0015 For the community college workforce training incentive grant program established under section 15F of chapter 15A of the General Laws; provided, that eligible incentive revenues under this program may also include workforce training contracts administered or paid through public agencies, municipalities, public grants, nonprofit organizations or private gifts $1,344,842

7066-0016 For a program of financial aid to support the matriculation at public and private institutions of higher education of persons in the custody of the department of children and families under a care and protection petition upon reaching the age of 18 or persons in the custody of the department matriculating at such an institution at an earlier age; provided, that no such person shall be required to remain in the custody of the department beyond the age of 18 to qualify for such aid; provided further, that said aid shall not exceed $6,000 per recipient per year; and provided further, that said aid shall only be granted after exhausting all other sources of financial support..... $1,470,150

7066-0019 For the department of higher education to support the dual enrollment program allowing qualified high school students to take college courses; provided, that public and private institutions of higher education may offer courses in high schools in addition to courses offered at the institutions or online if the number of students is sufficient; provided further, that preference in awarding grants for early college programs shall be given to public institutions of higher education; and provided further, that appropriated funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months $13,100,000

7066-0021 For reimbursements to public institutions of higher education for foster and adopted child fee waivers under section 19 of chapter 15A of the General Laws; provided, that reimbursements to public institutions of higher education for fee waivers granted in prior fiscal years may be expended from this item $7,221,962

7066-0025 For the Performance Management Set Aside incentive program for the University of Massachusetts, the state universities and the community colleges; provided, that funds shall be distributed by the commissioner of higher education to public institutions of higher education through a competitive grant process based on priorities determined by the board of higher education in pursuit of operational efficiency and strategic goals; provided further, that priorities may include support of workforce programs that train students for high-quality employment and for outreach programs that engage surrounding communities with high-quality educational programs, and programs that focus on timely or accelerated student completion of associate and bachelor's degree programs with lower and more predictable student costs; provided further, that not later than January 30, 2026, the department of higher

education shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing campuses receiving funds through this item and the criteria used to award funds; and provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months $2,552,156

7066-0036 For science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) Starter Academy programs to be implemented through the department of higher education at the Massachusetts community colleges to benefit student populations identified by the department as having expressed a high level of interest in STEM majors and STEM careers and yet are underperforming on STEM academic assessments; provided, that the STEM Starter Academy program shall incorporate best practice design elements from established STEM career pathways initiatives including, but not limited to, those recognized by the Massachusetts' Plan for Excellence in STEM Education and any subsequent STEM plans recognized by the department; provided further, that the STEM Starter Academy shall incorporate employer and industry collaboration to address workforce needs in high-demand fields, industry contextualized STEM curriculum, embedded mathematics and English language remediation and student supports and other STEM education research-based strategies that promote enrollment, enhance retention and increase post-secondary graduation rates and pathways to job placement or transfer to 4-year degree programs; provided further, that appropriated funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months; and provided further, that not later than September 30, 2025, the department of higher education shall submit to the house and senate committees on ways and means, the joint committee on higher education and the joint committee on education an evaluation of this program and its impact $2,045,282

7066-0040 For adult college transition services focused on low-income and entry-level workers; provided, that funds shall be awarded competitively by the board of higher education to adult basic education providers, including local education agencies, community-based organizations, community colleges and correctional facilities with recognized success in bridging academic gaps of underserved populations and resulting in college entrance, retention and completion; provided further, that not less than $250,000 shall be expended for Jewish Vocational Service, Inc. with a targeted focus on academic and coaching support for immigrants and refugees; provided further, that not later than February 13, 2026, program awardees shall report to the department of higher education on attendees' successful transition to college and that the department of higher education shall deliver to the joint committee on education and the house and senate committees on ways and means an evaluation of the program and its impact on student achievement, particularly as it relates to closing achievement gaps; and provided further, that appropriated funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months $500,000

7066-1400 For additional operational funding for state universities; provided, that funds from this item shall be distributed in accordance with the funding formula in line item 7066-1400 of section 2 of chapter 165 of the acts of 2014; provided further, that funding from this item shall be contingent upon approval of a funding formula that incorporates equity by the

board of higher education; provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the state universities shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the total balance in all budgeted and off-budget funds; and provided further, that the allocation of funds shall be approved by the board of higher education $11,216,729

Education Fund 100.00%

7066-9600 For a discretionary grant program to provide funds to school districts and public institutions of higher education partnering together to offer inclusive concurrent enrollment programs for school age children with disabilities, as defined in section 1 of chapter 71B of the General Laws, who are between the ages of 18 and 22, inclusive; provided, that the grant program shall be limited to students who are considered to have severe disabilities and, in the case of students age 18 or 19, shall be limited to students with severe disabilities who have been unable to achieve the competency determination necessary to pass the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System exam; provided further, that on a discretionary basis, public institutions of higher education may choose to additionally include students with severe developmental disabilities over the age of 21 through said grant program; provided further, that such students with disabilities shall be offered enrollment in credit and noncredit courses that include students without disabilities, including enrollment in noncredit and credit-bearing courses in audit status for students who may not meet course prerequisites and requirements; provided further, that the partnering school districts shall provide supports, services and accommodations necessary to facilitate a student's enrollment; provided further, that the department of higher education shall develop guidelines to ensure that the grant program promotes civic engagement and mentoring of faculty in public institutions of higher education and supports college success, work success, participation in student life of the college community and provision of a free appropriate public education in the least restrictive environment; provided further, that the department shall develop strategies and procedures to help sustain and replicate the existing inclusive concurrent enrollment programs initiated through the grant program including, but not limited to: (i) providing funds to retain employment specialists; (ii) assisting students in meeting integrated competitive employment and other transition-related goals; (iii) adopting procedures and funding mechanisms to ensure that new partnerships of public institutions of higher education and school districts providing inclusive concurrent enrollment programs fully utilize the models and expertise developed in existing partnerships; and (iv) conducting evaluations and research to further identify student outcomes and best practices; provided further, that the department shall develop a mechanism to encourage existing and new partnerships to expand the capacity to respond to individual parents and schools in underserved areas that request an opportunity for their children to participate in the inclusive concurrent enrollment initiative; provided further, that tuition for courses shall be waived by the state institutions of higher education for students enrolled through this grant program; provided further, that the department shall maintain the position of inclusive concurrent enrollment coordinator who shall be responsible for administering the grant program, coordinating the advisory committee, developing new

partnerships, assisting existing partnerships in creating self-sustaining models and overseeing the development of videos and informational materials as well as evaluation and research through the institute for community inclusion to assist new colleges and school districts; provided further, that not later than July 15, 2025, the department shall select grant recipients and shall distribute a request for grant proposals subject to future appropriation not later than May 30, 2026; provided further, that not later than January 30, 2026, the department of higher education, in consultation with the department of elementary and secondary education, shall report on student outcomes in programs funded under this item to the house and senate committees on ways and means, the joint committee on education, and the joint committee on higher education; and provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months $4,000,000

7070-0065 For a scholarship program to provide financial assistance 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 approved institution furnishing a program of higher education; provided, that funds from this item may be expended on the administration of said scholarship program; provided further, that the commissioner of higher education, in coordination with the Massachusetts state scholarship office, shall follow adopted guidelines governing the eligibility for and the awarding of financial assistance; provided further, that funds from this item shall be made available for the MASSGrant or MASSGrant Plus programs in an amount not less than the amount made available in fiscal year 2025; provided further, that not less than $22,000,000 shall be made available for the Massachusetts Gilbert Matching Student Grant Program (GMSGP); provided further, that not less than $430,000 shall be made available for One Family, Inc. for any costs in connection with the One Family Scholars program; provided further, that not less than $3,600,000 shall be made available for early educator scholarships, prior appropriation continued $175,188,311

General Fund 98.68%
Youth Development & Achievement Fund 1.32%

7077-0023 For the Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University; provided, that funds shall be expended under a resident veterinary tuition remission plan as approved by the commissioner of higher education for supportive veterinary services provided to the commonwealth; provided further, that funds from this item may support collaborative arrangements that may include teaching partnerships, articulation agreements or both with community colleges and vocational-technical schools that offer veterinary technician programs, veterinary health care programs or both approved by the board of higher education; provided further, that the school may work in consultation with the Norfolk county agricultural high school on veterinary programs; provided further, that the school may work in consultation with the Bristol county agricultural high school on veterinary programs; and provided further, that funds appropriated in this item shall support bioterrorism prevention research conducted in consultation with emergency authorities in the commonwealth relative to diseases that can be transmitted from animals to humans $5,500,000

7100-4000 For funding to community college campuses; provided, that funds shall be expended for the continued implementation of community college reform, for continued initiatives to strengthen the connections between the colleges, local businesses and regional workforce investment boards and to improve workforce training at the colleges; provided further, that funding shall be allocated among the campuses using a formula that incorporates equity, developed by the commissioner of higher education in consultation with the secretaries of education, labor and workforce development and economic development; and provided further, that the allocation of funds shall be approved by the board of higher education $11,450,395

Education Fund 100.00%

7100-4002 For Supporting Urgent Community College Equity through Student Services (SUCCESS) grants to community colleges to provide wraparound supports and services to improve outcomes for their most vulnerable populations, including, but not limited to, low-income, first-generation, minority and disabled students and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning students; provided, that funds shall be disbursed based on a formula and criteria developed in consultation with the Massachusetts Association of Community Colleges; provided further, that eligible wraparound support activities shall include, but not be limited to, peer mentors, academic skills workshops, field trips to 4-year schools and targeted academic, career, transfer and scholarship advising; provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months; provided further, that all funds distributed may be spent solely on personnel costs at the discretion of the college; and provided further, that not later than April 1, 2026, the department shall report to the joint committee on higher education and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the progress made on implementing and funding this program, including any regulations, guidelines or criteria used to distribute the funds, and on the final distribution of funds to campuses, prior appropriation continued $14,000,000

Marijuana Regulation Fund..... 100.00%

7518-0120 For state university and community college collaboration and efficiency efforts through the Partnership to Advance Collaboration and Efficiencies initiative $300,000

7520-0424 For a health and welfare reserve for eligible personnel employed at the community colleges and state universities $7,131,153

University of Massachusetts.

7100-0200 For the operation of the University of Massachusetts; provided, that not later than January 30, 2026, the university shall meet with the chairs of the house and senate committees on ways and means and the chairs of the joint committee on higher education to review: (i) the 5-year projected spending plan for academic years 2025 through 2030, including anticipated cost savings initiatives and efforts to reduce student tuition and fees; and (ii) a comprehensive report on spending over the previous academic year; provided further, that the report shall include, but not be limited to: (a) personnel costs,

delineated by staff type and type of pay, including, but not limited to, base pay and bonus pay; (b) the number of full-time equivalent employees, delineated by staff type; (c) non-instructional administrative costs; (d) costs related to asset management and acquisition; (e) annual enrollment growth; (f) annual tuition and fee growth; (g) fee structure; (h) expenditures on direct student financial aid; and (i) average financial aid award per financial aid recipient; provided further, that funding for each center and institute at the University of Massachusetts at Boston shall be provided at an amount not less than in fiscal year 2018; provided further, that if, as a result of extraordinary or unforeseen circumstances, the university deems it necessary to reduce funding to any of said institutions, the university shall submit a report detailing: (1) the reasons for such reductions; (2) all steps taken to avoid such reductions including, but not limited to, the identification of other sources of existing funds, raising of new revenues and the pursuit of savings initiatives and efficiencies; and (3) a mitigation plan to ameliorate the effects on students and university staff of such reductions, for which input from students and university staff shall be solicited; provided further, that the report shall be submitted to the joint committee on higher education and the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 120 days prior to any such funding reduction or institutional closure; provided further, that not later than January 2, 2026, the University of Massachusetts at Boston shall submit a report to the joint committee on higher education and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the progress made implementing the April 2019 taskforce on centers and institutes' recommendations; provided further, that the university shall expend funds for the University of Massachusetts at Amherst Cranberry Station; provided further, that the university shall expend funds for the operation of the Massachusetts office of public collaboration at the University of Massachusetts at Boston; provided further, that not less than $15,000 shall be expended for the University of Massachusetts at Amherst health services to support access to women's health care; and provided further, that not less than $4,000,000 shall be expended by the university on student behavioral health services including, but not limited to, crisis services, therapy, the assessment of learning disorders, responses to sexual assault, substance use disorder services and assistance to students struggling with stress, anxiety or other mental health needs $835,000,000

General Fund..... 99.51%
Education Fund 0.49%

7100-0700 For the operation of the community mediation center grant program administered by the office of public collaboration at the University of Massachusetts at Boston under section 47 of chapter 75 of the General Laws; provided, that funding from this item shall be made available for pre-court mediation services to promote housing stabilization; and provided further, that not less than $200,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts prisoner re-entry mediation program, prior appropriation continued $3,213,465

7100-0702 For the Institute for Asian American Studies at the University of Massachusetts at Boston to study the history and experiences of anti-Asian racism in the United States and in the commonwealth $300,000

7100-0903	For the University of Massachusetts SUCCESS grant program to provide wraparound supports and services to improve outcomes for their most vulnerable populations, including, but not limited to, low-income, first-generation, minority and disabled students and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning students; provided further, that eligible wraparound support activities shall include, but not be limited to, peer mentors, academic skills workshops, and targeted academic, career, transfer and scholarship advising; provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months; and provided further, that not later than April 1, 2026, the university shall report to the joint committee on higher education and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the progress made on implementing and funding this program, including any regulations, guidelines or criteria used to distribute the funds, and on the final distribution of funds to campuses	$10,000,000

State Universities.

7109-0100	For Bridgewater State University	$69,694,667
7110-0100	For Fitchburg State University	$42,958,315
7112-0100	For Framingham State University	$42,090,534
7113-0100	For the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts	$23,435,787
7114-0100	For Salem State University	$64,051,675
7115-0100	For Westfield State University	$40,384,332
7116-0100	For Worcester State University	$39,993,390
7117-0100	For the Massachusetts College of Art and Design	$26,409,532
7118-0100	For the Massachusetts Maritime Academy	$24,872,741

Community Colleges.

7502-0100	For Berkshire Community College	$15,120,176
7503-0100	For Bristol Community College	$31,198,494
7504-0100	For Cape Cod Community College	$16,941,124
7505-0100	For Greenfield Community College	$14,861,810
7506-0100	For Holyoke Community College	$27,569,822
7507-0100	For Massachusetts Bay Community College	$22,335,358
7508-0100	For Massasoit Community College	$29,446,844
7509-0100	For Mount Wachusett Community College	$20,670,329

7509-0101 For the Senator Stephen M. Brewer Center for Civic Learning and Community Engagement at Mount Wachusett Community College to increase service learning and volunteerism in the north central Massachusetts region of the commonwealth, to support the development of a food pantry and other emergency services for students at risk of dropping out due to financial circumstances, for deliberative dialogues within the community addressing issues of concern within society and for programmatic development, updates and technologies within the center $150,000

7510-0100 For Northern Essex Community College $27,135,470

7511-0100 For North Shore Community College $29,852,724

7512-0100 For Quinsigamond Community College $30,327,423

7514-0100 For Springfield Technical Community College $33,906,201

7515-0100 For Roxbury Community College $14,822,249

7515-0120 For the operation of the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center at Roxbury Community College $2,028,694

7515-0121 For the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center at Roxbury Community College; provided, that the college may expend an amount not to exceed $2,500,000 received from fees, rentals and facility expenses associated with the running and operation of national track meets, high school track meets, high school dual meets, Roxbury Community College athletic events and other special athletic events, conferences, meetings and programs; provided further, that only expenses for contracted services associated with these events, event staff, utilities and capital needs of the facility shall be funded from this item; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the college may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $2,500,000

7516-0100 For Middlesex Community College $32,578,673

7518-0100 For Bunker Hill Community College $37,724,696

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY.

Office of the Secretary.

8000-0038 For the operation of a witness protection program under chapter 263A of the General Laws $247,500

8000-0070 For the research and analysis of the committee on criminal justice, established in section 156 of chapter 6 of the General Laws; provided, that funds may be expended to support the work of the Massachusetts

sentencing commission, established in section 1 of chapter 211E of the General Laws $140,447

8000-0202 For the purchase and distribution of sexual assault evidence collection kits..... $92,695

8000-0313 For local public safety projects and grant programs $100,000

8000-0600 For the office of the secretary of public safety and security, including the highway safety bureau, to provide matching funds for a planning and administration grant under 23 U.S.C. section 402 and the costs associated with the implementation of chapter 122 of the acts of 2019; provided, that the executive office of public safety and security staff may provide administrative processing for departments under the executive office's purview; provided further, that not less than $3,126,872 shall be provided for the Boston, Cambridge and Everett fire department hazardous material response teams; and provided further, that local police departments, sheriffs' offices, the department of state police, the department of correction and other state agencies, authorities and educational institutions with law enforcement functions as determined by the secretary that receive funds for the cost of the replacement of bulletproof vests through the office of the secretary may expend without further appropriation these funds to purchase additional vests in the fiscal year in which they receive such reimbursements $10,218,277

8000-0655 For a grant program to be administered by the executive office of public safety and security for emerging adults re-entry programs to reduce recidivism among individuals between the ages of 18 and 25, inclusive, who are returning to the community from state prisons and county correctional facilities; provided, that the secretary of public safety and security shall distribute funds through a competitive grant program; provided further, that grants shall be awarded to applicants that: (i) are community-based nonprofit programs; (ii) have a demonstrated commitment from the department of correction or a sheriff's office to work collaboratively to deliver services in their respective facilities; (iii) provide both pre-release and post-release services to individuals between the ages of 18 and 25, inclusive, who are returning to the community from state prisons and county correctional facilities including, but not limited to, probationers and parolees; (iv) provide a continuum of programming from state prisons or county correctional facilities into the community; (v) provide pre-release services for all participating individuals that include transition plans, education programs, workforce readiness and life skills programs and counseling; (vi) provide post-release services that include case management for not less than 12 months after participating individuals have been released; and (vii) provide a plan for ensuring that proposed programs shall be implemented with adherence to a research-based, evidence-based or evidence-informed program design; provided further, that not more than 6 grants shall be awarded; provided further, that not more than 7.5 per cent of the total appropriation in this item shall be used to provide administrative support and training to grantees, including program design, technical assistance and program evaluation, and to provide training and technical assistance to any other organization or institution working on emerging adult justice initiatives; provided

further, that contracts for grantees may be awarded for periods of not more than 5 years; and provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to, the: (a) successful grant applications and the services they provide; (b) amount of funds awarded to each grantee; (c) criteria used to evaluate grant applications; (d) number of participants served by each program and the communities they are returning to; and (e) outcomes and recidivism rates of the participants in each of the programs, prior appropriation continued $7,037,347

8000-1001 For the Boston regional intelligence center, or BRIC, to upgrade, expand and integrate technology and protocols related to anti-terrorism, anti-crime, anti-gang and emergency response; provided, that intelligence developed shall be shared with the BRIC communities and other state, municipal and federal agencies as necessary; and provided further, that the BRIC shall provide technology required to access the intelligence with its municipal partners, the department of state police, the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority, the Massachusetts Port Authority and appropriate federal agencies to assure maximum interagency collaboration for public safety and homeland security $750,000

8000-1127 For a nonprofit security grant program to provide support for target 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: (i) at least 1 such grant shall be awarded to a nonprofit organization in the eastern region of the commonwealth; (ii) at least 1 such grant shall be awarded to a nonprofit organization in the central region of the commonwealth; and (iii) at least 1 such grant shall be awarded to a nonprofit organization in the western region of the commonwealth; and provided further, that the grants shall be distributed in a geographically equitable manner across the eastern, central and western regions of the commonwealth $4,000,000

8000-1213 For the school of reentry; provided, that funds may be spent on the credible messenger program $1,385,656

8000-1225 For the operation of the office of grants and research $290,261

8000-1700 For the provision of information technology services within the executive office of public safety and security $22,756,953

8100-0111 For a grant program to be known as the Senator Charles E. Shannon, Jr. community safety initiative, to be administered by the executive office of public safety and security to support regional, multidisciplinary approaches to combat gang violence through coordinated programs for prevention and intervention, coordinated law enforcement, including regional gang task forces and regional crime mapping strategies, focused prosecutions and reintegration strategies for formerly incarcerated persons; provided, that the secretary of public safety and security shall distribute grant funds through a competitive grant

program that gives preference to applications that: (i) demonstrate high levels of youth violence, gang problems and substance use in a region; (ii) demonstrate a commitment to regional, multi-jurisdictional strategies to deal with such community safety issues, including written commitments for municipalities, law enforcement agencies, community-based organizations and government agencies to work together; (iii) clearly outline a comprehensive plan that establishes measurable outcomes for municipalities to work with law enforcement, community-based organizations and government agencies to address gang activity; (iv) outline measurable outcomes that demonstrate program success, detail a plan for collecting data related to achieving said measurable outcomes and commit to sharing the data with the executive office; (v) make a written commitment to match grant funds with a 25 per cent match provided by either municipal or private contributions; and (vi) identify a local governmental unit to serve as the fiscal agent; provided further, that clusters of municipalities, in partnership with nonprofit organizations and other agencies, including district attorneys' offices, may apply for such grant funds; provided further, that such grant funds shall be considered 1-time grants awarded to public agencies and shall not annualize into fiscal year 2027 or subsequent years; provided further, that administrative costs for successful grant applications shall not exceed 10 per cent of the value of the grant; provided further, that no grant funds shall be awarded to the department of state police; provided further, that not later than August 15, 2025, the executive office shall publish guidelines and an application for the competitive portion of the grant fund program; provided further, that not later than December 16, 2025, grant funds shall be made available to applicants; provided further, that not later than 60 days after the distribution of grant funds, the executive office shall submit a report that details the distribution of grant funds to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means; and provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (a) the number of young adults served by the grant program during fiscal year 2026; (b) executive summaries of the programs currently operating under the grant program; and (c) outcomes and findings that demonstrate program success from the grant awards from fiscal year 2025 ..... $10,087,424

Chief Medical Examiner.

8000-0105 For the operation of the office of the chief medical examiner established in section 2 of chapter 38 of the General Laws; provided, that not later than January 16, 2026, 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 current caseload of the office and each of its medical examiners and the caseload for fiscal year 2025; (ii) the number of procedures performed in fiscal year 2025; (iii) the current turnaround time and backlogs; (iv) the current response time to scenes; (v) the number of cases completed in fiscal year 2025; (vi) the current status of accreditation with the National Association of Medical Examiners; (vii) progress in identification and completion of reports; and (viii) progress in improving delays in decedent release..... $19,921,742

8000-0122 For the office of the chief medical examiner, which may expend for its operations not more than $8,646,885 in revenues collected from services provided by the office; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $8,646,885

Department of Criminal Justice Information Services.

8000-0110 For the operation of the department of criminal justice information services, including criminal justice information services, criminal offender record information services, firearms support services and victim services; provided, that funds may be expended to enable housing authorities to have access to criminal offender record information when qualifying applicants for state-assisted housing $3,431,849

8000-0111 For the operation of the public safety information system and the criminal records review board within the department of criminal justice information services, which may expend for the operation of the board not more than $6,323,675 in revenues collected from services provided by the board; provided, that funding from this item may be retained and expended from revenues charged and collected under section 172A of chapter 6 of the General Laws; provided further, that funds may be expended to assist formerly incarcerated persons in obtaining and maintaining employment and to provide education and assistance regarding criminal records under said section 172A of said chapter 6; provided further, that the commissioner of criminal justice information services may make funds from this item available for a competitive grant process to provide such training and education; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the board may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system; and provided further, that any unexpended funds in this item shall not revert but shall be made available for this item until June 30, 2027 ..... $6,323,675

Sex Offender Registry.

8000-0125 For the operation of the sex offender registry including, but not limited to, the costs of maintaining a computerized registry system and the classification of persons subject to the registry; provided, that the registration fee paid by convicted sex offenders under section 178Q of chapter 6 of the General Laws shall be retained and expended by the sex offender registry board; and provided further, that not later than December 16, 2025, the sex offender registry shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means outlining: (i) the utilization of data-sharing agreements with state agencies to find addresses of offenders that are out of compliance; (ii) plans to establish new data-sharing agreements with other executive branch agencies; and (iii) detailed plans to improve overall data collection and registry maintenance to enhance public safety $7,477,002

Department of State Police.

8100-0006 For the department of state police, which may expend for the costs of private police details, including administrative costs, not more than $52,000,000 from revenues collected for such details; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $52,000,000

8100-0012 For the department of state police, which may expend for the costs of security services provided by state police officers, including overtime and administrative costs, not more than $3,500,000 from revenues charged for said services; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $3,500,000

8100-0018 For the department of state police, which may expend not more than $3,205,922 from revenues collected for certain police activities provided under agreements authorized in this item; provided, that for fiscal year 2026, the colonel of the state police may enter into service agreements with the commanding officer or other person in charge of a military reservation of the United States located within the Massachusetts development finance agency and any other service agreements as necessary to enhance the protection of persons, assets and infrastructure from possible external threat or activity; provided further, that said agreements shall establish the responsibilities pertaining to the operation and maintenance of police services including, but not limited to: (i) provisions governing payment to the department for the cost of regular salaries, overtime, retirement and other employee benefits; and (ii) provisions governing payment to the department for the cost of furnishings and equipment necessary to provide the police services; provided further, that the department may charge any recipients of police services for the cost of the services under this item; provided further, that the colonel may expend from this item for costs associated with joint federal and state law enforcement activities from federal reimbursements received; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $3,205,922

8100-0102 For the costs associated with state police personnel assigned to the Massachusetts port authority, which may expend for the costs of police activities provided by state police officers, including overtime and administrative costs, not more than $52,000,000 from revenues collected for such activities; provided, that notwithstanding any

general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department of state police may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $52,000,000

8100-0515 For the expenses of hiring, equipping and training state police recruits to maintain appropriate staffing levels for the state police; provided, that funds shall be expended to promote diversity and inclusion in the hiring of police recruits; and provided further, that funds shall be expended to implement comprehensive racial bias training within the department of state police to address racial inequities in policing practices $10,539,485

8100-1001 For the administration and operation of the department of state police; provided, that the department shall expend funds from this item to maximize federal grants for the operation of a counter-terrorism unit and the payment of overtime for state police officers; provided further, that the department shall maintain the division of field services, which shall include, but not be limited to, the bureau of metropolitan district operations; provided further, that not less than 40 officers shall be provided to the department of conservation and recreation to patrol its watershed property; provided further, that the department of state police shall enter into an interagency agreement with the department of conservation and recreation to provide police coverage on department of conservation and recreation properties and parkways; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the administration and operation of an automated fingerprint identification system and for the motor carrier safety assistance program; provided further, that the creation of a new or an expansion of the existing statewide communications network shall include the office of law enforcement in the executive office of energy and environmental affairs at no cost to or compensation from the executive office; provided further, that the department of state police may expend funds from this item for the administration of budgetary, procurement, fiscal, human resources, payroll and other administrative services of the office of the chief medical examiner, the municipal police training committee and the department of criminal justice information services; provided further, that the department shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means; and provided further, that each report shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the total compensation paid to each trooper, delineated by category of payout; (ii) the total compensation paid to each troop in the aggregate, delineated by regular and overtime compensation; (iii) the average hours of overtime accumulated, delineated by trooper and reason for the use of overtime; (iv) the average hours of overtime accumulated, delineated by troop in the aggregate; and (v) a detailed plan outlining steps to decrease overtime usage and increase accountability and oversight within the department $403,696,893

State Police Crime Laboratory.

8100-1004 For the operation and related costs of the state police crime laboratory, including the analysis of samples used in the prosecution of controlled substance offenses conducted at the former department of public

health facilities; provided, that the analysis of narcotic drug synthetic substitutes, poisons, drugs, medicines and chemicals shall be funded from this item in order to support the law enforcement efforts of the district attorneys, the state police and municipal police departments; provided further, that the practices and procedures of the state police crime laboratory shall be informed by the recommendations of the forensic science oversight board; provided further, that the department of state police shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the caseload of each lab; (ii) all relevant information regarding turnaround time and backlogs by type of case; and (iii) the accreditation status of each lab; provided further, that not later than October 3, 2025, the first such report shall be submitted; provided further, that funds shall be spent on phase II of the processing of sexual assault evidence kits; and provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026 the state police shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (a) the status of phase II of the processing of sexual assault evidence kits; (b) an anticipated timeline for completion of phase II; and (c) the year to date cost of processing sexual assault evidence kits as part of phase II $29,901,640

8100-1005 For the analysis of narcotic drug synthetic substitutes, poisons, drugs, medicines and chemicals at the University of Massachusetts medical school in order to support the law enforcement efforts of the district attorneys, the state police and municipal police departments $686,677

Municipal Police Training Committee.

8200-0200 For the operation of veteran, reserve and in-service training programs conducted by the municipal police training committee; provided, that no expenditures authorized by this item shall be charged to item 8200-0222 ..... $18,828,286

General Fund..... 96.49%
Public Safety Training Fund 3.51%

8200-0222 For the municipal police training committee, which may collect and expend not more than $5,600,000 to provide training to new recruits; provided, that the committee shall charge $3,200 per recruit for the training; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the committee shall charge a fee of $3,200 per person for training programs operated by the committee for all persons who begin training not later than July 1, 2025; provided further, that said fee shall be retained and expended by the committee; provided further, that the trainee or, if the trainee is a recruit, the municipality in which the recruit shall serve, shall provide the fee in full to the committee not later than the first day of orientation for the program in which the trainee or recruit has enrolled; provided further, that no recruit or person shall begin training unless the municipality or the person has provided the fee in full to the committee; provided further, that for recruits of municipalities, upon the completion of the program, the municipality shall deduct the fee from the recruit's wages in 23 equal monthly installments unless otherwise negotiated between the recruit and the municipality in which the recruit shall serve; provided further, that if a recruit withdraws from the training program before graduation,

the committee shall refund the municipality in which the recruit was to have served a portion of the fee according to the following schedule: (i) if a recruit withdraws from the program before the start of week 2, 75 per cent of the fee shall be refunded; (ii) if a recruit withdraws from the program after the start of week 2 but before the start of week 3, 50 per cent of the fee shall be refunded; (iii) if a recruit withdraws from the program after the start of week 3 but before the start of week 4, 25 per cent of the fee shall be refunded; and (iv) if a recruit withdraws after the start of week 4, the fee shall not be refunded; provided further, that a recruit who withdraws from the program shall pay the municipality in which the recruit was to have served the difference between the fee and the amount forfeited by the municipality according to the schedule; provided further, that the schedule shall also apply to trainees other than recruits who enroll in the program; provided further, that no expenditures shall be charged to this item that are not directly related to new recruit training; provided further, that no expenditures shall be charged to this item that are related to chief, veteran, in-service or reserve training or any training not directly related to new recruits; provided further, that the committee shall submit a report on the status of recruit training, including the number of classes, start and end dates of each class, total number of recruits enrolled and graduating in each class, cost per recruit and cost per class for fiscal years 2025 and 2026; provided further, that not later than January 8, 2026, the report shall be submitted to the house and senate committees on ways and means; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the committee may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $5,600,000

Department of Fire Services.

8324-0000 For the administration of the department of fire services, including the office of the state fire marshal, the hazardous materials emergency response program, the board of fire prevention regulations established in section 4 of chapter 22D of the General Laws, the expenses of the fire safety commission and the Massachusetts firefighting academy, including the Massachusetts fire training council certification program, municipal and non-municipal fire training and expenses of the council; provided, that the fire training program shall use the split days option; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, 100 per cent of the amount appropriated in this item for the administration of the department of fire services, the office of the state fire marshal, the Massachusetts firefighting academy, critical incident stress management programs, the On-Site Academy, other fire department training academies, the regional dispatch centers, the radio and dispatch center improvements and the associated fringe benefit costs of personnel paid from this item for these purposes shall be assessed upon insurance companies writing fire, homeowners multiple peril or commercial multiple peril policies on property situated in the commonwealth and paid within 30 days after receiving notice of this assessment from the commissioner of insurance; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, 100 per cent of the amount appropriated in

item 8100-1001 for all purposes related to fire and arson investigation shall be assessed upon insurance companies writing fire, homeowners multiple peril or commercial multiple peril policies on property situated in the commonwealth, and paid within 30 days after receiving notice of this assessment from the commissioner of insurance; provided further, that not more than 10 per cent of the amount designated for the arson prevention program shall be expended for the administrative cost of the program; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, 100 per cent of the amount appropriated in this item for the operation of the hazardous materials emergency response program and the associated fringe benefit costs of personnel paid from this item for these purposes shall be assessed upon insurance companies writing commercial multiple peril, non-liability portion policies on property situated in the commonwealth and commercial auto liability policies as referenced in line 5.1 and line 19.4, respectively, in the most recent annual statement on file with the commissioner of insurance; provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be allocated by the department for critical incident stress management; provided further, that not less than $2,000,000 shall be allocated by the department for the student awareness fire education program; and provided further, that not less than $500,000 shall be allocated by the department for On-Site Academy for critical incident stress management services $43,236,398

8324-0050 For the commonwealth's local fire departments $100,000

8324-0304 For the department of fire services, which may expend for enforcement and training not more than $8,500 from revenue generated under chapter 148A of the General Laws; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $8,500

8324-0500 For the department of fire services, which may expend not more than $2,325,060 in revenues collected from fees for annual issuance of boiler and pressure vessel certificates and inspections; provided, that funds shall be expended for the operation of the department and to address the existing boiler and pressure vessel inspection backlog; provided further, that funds shall be expended for hiring additional engineering inspectors or engineers; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $2,325,060

Military Division.

8700-0001 For the operation of the military division, including the offices of the adjutant general and state quartermaster, the operation of the armories, the Camp Curtis Guild rifle range and certain national guard aviation facilities; provided, that notwithstanding chapter 30 of the

General Laws, certain military personnel in the military division may be paid salaries according to military pay grades; provided further, that the division may expend funds appropriated in this item for the administration of budgetary, procurement, fiscal, human resources, payroll and other administrative services; and provided further, that the adjutant general shall maintain a roster of Massachusetts veterans as directed by section 15 of chapter 33 of the General Laws $14,416,796

8700-1140 For the military division, which may expend for the costs of national guard missions and division operations not more than $1,900,000 from revenues collected for the nonmilitary rental or use of armories and from reimbursements generated by national guard missions; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the division may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $1,900,000

8700-1150 For reimbursement of the costs of the national guard tuition and fee waivers under section 19 of chapter 15A of the General Laws; provided, that no funds shall be distributed from this item before certification by the state universities, community colleges and the University of Massachusetts of the actual amount of tuition and fees waived for national guard members attending public institutions of higher education under said section 19 of said chapter 15A that would otherwise have been retained by the campuses according to procedures and regulations promulgated by the military division; provided further, that funds from this item may be expended for the reimbursement of the tuition and fees waived for classes taken during the summer months; and provided further, that the funds appropriated under this item shall not revert but shall be made available for these purposes until June 30, 2027 ..... $8,028,077

8700-1160 For life insurance premiums under section 88B of chapter 33 of the General Laws $1,165,204

Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency.

8800-0001 For the operations of the Massachusetts emergency management agency; provided, that expenditures from this item shall be contingent upon the prior approval of the proper federal authorities; provided further, that the funds appropriated under this item shall not revert but shall be made available for these purposes through June 30, 2027; provided further, that the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed $5,000,000 in excess of the current appropriation; and provided further, that such expenditures shall be approved by the secretary of public safety and security, who shall cite a state of emergency declaration for each approved expenditure, in consultation with the secretary of administration and finance $7,131,092

Department of Correction.

8900-0001 For the operation of the department of correction; provided, that not later than January 6, 2026, the commissioner of correction and the secretary of public safety and security shall report to the house and

senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on public safety and homeland security on the point score compiled by the department's objective classification system for all prisoners confined in each prison operated by the department; provided further, that to maximize bed capacity and re-entry capability, the department shall submit quarterly reports, utilizing standardized reporting definitions developed mutually with the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. on caseload, admissions, classification, releases and recidivism of all pre-trial, sentenced and federal incarcerated persons; provided further, that the department shall submit the reports on a quarterly basis not more than 30 days following the last day of the quarter; provided further, that not less than $125,000 shall be expended for the Disability Law Center, Inc. to monitor the efficacy of service delivery reforms at Bridgewater state hospital, including units at the Old Colony correctional center and the treatment center; provided further, that the Disability Law Center, Inc. may investigate the physical environment of said facilities, including infrastructure issues, and may use methods including, but not limited to, testing and sampling the physical and environmental conditions, whether or not they are utilized by patients or incarcerated persons; provided further, that the Disability Law Center, Inc. may monitor the continuity of care for persons who are discharged from Bridgewater state hospital to county correctional facilities or department of mental health facilities, including assessment of the efficacy of admission, discharge and transfer planning procedures and coordination between the department of correction, Wellpath LLC, the department of mental health and county correctional facilities; and provided further, that at least once every 6 months, the Disability Law Center, Inc. shall report on the impact of these reforms on those served at Bridgewater state hospital to the joint committee on mental health, substance use and recovery, the joint committee on the judiciary, the house and senate committees on ways and means, the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives $815,508,325

8900-0002 For the operation of the Massachusetts Alcohol and Substance Abuse Center $24,521,860

8900-0003 For the implementation of mandated reforms to mental and behavioral health and residential treatment related to the department of correction under chapter 69 of the acts of 2018; provided, that funds from this item may be expended for contracted service providers specializing in relevant areas including, but not limited to, behavioral health and residential treatment; and provided further, that said funds shall only be expended in the AA or DD object classes if said funds are to be utilized for counselors, teachers, mental health personnel, medical personnel or additional legal staff $5,030,034

8900-0010 For prison industries and farm services; provided, that the commissioner of correction or a designee shall determine the cost of manufacturing motor vehicle registration plates and certify to the comptroller the amounts to be transferred from the Commonwealth Transportation Fund established in section 2ZZZ of chapter 29 of the General Laws to the department of correction revenue source; and provided further, that not later than March 11, 2026 the department shall submit a report to the executive office of public safety and security, the joint committee on the judiciary, the joint committee on

public safety and homeland security and the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) a comprehensive quantitative analysis of the impact that the program has on participating incarcerated persons as compared to non-participating incarcerated persons, including their disciplinary record while in custody, their recidivism rate after release and their employment rate after release; (ii) information on the demographics of participants; (iii) information on the customers of the program, including whether they are a public entity, a private business or a nonprofit; and (iv) the compensation rates for participants $6,796,500

8900-0011 For the prison industries and farm services program, which may expend for the operation of the program not more than $5,600,000 in revenues collected from the sale of products, for materials, supplies, equipment, maintenance of facilities and compensation of employees; provided, that the commissioner of correction may allocate year-end net profits to the cost of drug, substance use and rehabilitative programming; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department of correction may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $5,600,000

8900-0050 For the department of correction, which may expend not more than $8,600,000 in revenues collected from existing assessments, and the state criminal alien assistance program; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $8,600,000

8900-1100 For re-entry programs at the department of correction that are intended to reduce recidivism rates; provided, that said programs shall be in addition to such provided in fiscal year 2025; provided further, that not later than January 15, 2026, the department shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on re-entry programming at the department; and provided further, that said report shall include information on the type of programs provided and the recidivism rate of the offenders who successfully completed said programs..... $1,533,580

Parole Board.

8950-0001 For the operation of the parole board..... $25,787,435

8950-0002 For the victim and witness assistance program under chapter 258B of the General Laws $263,037

Sheriffs.

Hampden Sheriff's Office.

8910-0102 For the operation of the Hampden sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 16, 2025, the office shall provide a comprehensive inventory of all current programs and practices, in a manner to be determined by the executive office of public safety and security, to the executive office for administration and finance, the executive office of public safety and security and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the executive office of public safety and security to allow for the reporting of recidivism rates for all pre-trial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning in the quarter ending September 30, 2025 and shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110 ..... $89,761,135

8910-0104 For the operation of a regional section 35 program, under section 35 of chapter 123 of the General Laws, in western Massachusetts for the counties of Hampden, Hampshire, Worcester, Franklin and Berkshire that provides involuntary commitment to a treatment facility for not more than 90 days of an individual who has an addiction to alcohol or drugs; provided, that the program shall be located in Hampden county to provide treatment, case management, medical and mental health services, withdrawal management and ongoing monitoring, medication addiction treatment and safety and security staffing as well as release planning and after care services; and provided further, that additional costs associated with said program shall include medication, food, clothing, medical needs and psychiatric services $2,781,294

8910-1000 For the Hampden sheriff's office, which may expend for the operation of a prison industries program not more than $3,631,251 in revenues collected from the sale of products for materials, supplies, equipment, maintenance of facilities, reimbursement for community service projects and compensation of employees of the program; provided, that not later than March 16, 2026, the office shall submit a report to the executive office of public safety and security, the joint committee on the judiciary, the joint committee on public safety and homeland security and the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) a comprehensive quantitative analysis of the impact that the program has on participating incarcerated persons as compared to non-participating incarcerated persons, including their disciplinary record while in custody, their recidivism rates after release and their employment rates after release; (ii) information on the demographics of participants; (iii) information on the customers of the program, including whether they are a public entity, a private business or a nonprofit organization; and (iv) the compensation rates for participants; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system..... $3,631,251

8910-1010 For the operation of a regional behavioral evaluation and stabilization unit to provide forensic mental health services within existing physical facilities for incarcerated persons in the care of correctional facilities; provided, that the unit shall be located in Hampden county to serve the needs of incarcerated persons in the care of Berkshire, Franklin, Hampden, Hampshire and Worcester counties; provided further, that the services of the unit shall be made available to incarcerated persons in the care of the department of correction; provided further, that the Hampden sheriff's office shall work in cooperation with the Middlesex sheriff's office to determine a standardized set of definitions and measurements for patients at both regional behavioral evaluation and stabilization units; provided further, that not later than February 9, 2026, the Hampden sheriff's office, in cooperation with the department of correction and the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc., shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to, the: (i) number of incarcerated persons in facilities located in counties that were provided services in each unit; (ii) number of incarcerated persons in department of correction facilities that were provided services in each unit; (iii) alleviation of caseload at Bridgewater state hospital associated with fewer incarcerated persons in the care of counties being attended to at the hospital; (iv) estimated and projected cost savings in fiscal year 2026 to the sheriffs' offices and the department of correction associated with the regional units; and (v) deficiencies in addressing the needs of incarcerated women; and provided further, that the department of mental health shall maintain the monitoring and quality review functions of the unit $1,413,224

8910-1020 For costs related to department of correction incarcerated persons with not more than 2 years of their sentence remaining who have been transferred to the care of the Hampden sheriff's office $667,691

8910-1030 For the operation of the western Massachusetts regional women's correctional center $5,041,957

Worcester Sheriff's Office.

8910-0105 For the operation of the Worcester sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 16, 2025, the office shall provide a comprehensive inventory of all current programs and practices, in a manner to be determined by the executive office of public safety and security, to the executive office for administration and finance, the executive office of public safety and security and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the executive office of public safety and security to allow for the reporting of recidivism rates for all pre-trial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning in the quarter ending September 30, 2025 and shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110 ..... $60,011,322

Middlesex Sheriff's Office.

8910-0107 For the operation of the Middlesex sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 16, 2025, the office shall provide a comprehensive inventory of all current programs and practices, in a manner to be determined by the executive office of public safety and security, to the executive office for administration and finance, the executive office of public safety and security, and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the executive office of public safety and security to allow for the reporting of recidivism rates for all pre-trial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning in the quarter ending September 30, 2025 and which shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110 ..... $78,200,889

8910-0450 For the Middlesex sheriff's office, which may expend not more than $100,000 in revenues collected from public or private entities or persons for community programs; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $100,000

8910-1100 For the Middlesex sheriff's office, which may expend for the operation of a prison industries program not more than $75,000 in revenues collected from the sale of products, for materials, supplies, equipment, recyclable reimbursements, printing services, maintenance of facilities and compensation of employees of said program; provided, that not later than March 16, 2026, the office shall submit a report to the executive office of public safety and security, the joint committee on the judiciary, the joint committee on public safety and homeland security and the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) a comprehensive quantitative analysis of the impact that the program has on participating incarcerated persons as compared to non-participating incarcerated persons, including their disciplinary record while in custody, their recidivism rates after release and their employment rates after release; (ii) information on the demographics of participants; (iii) information on the customers of the program, including whether they are a public entity, a private business or a nonprofit organization; and (iv) the compensation rates for participants; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $75,000

8910-1101 For the operation of a regional behavioral evaluation and stabilization unit to provide forensic mental health services within existing physical facilities for incarcerated persons in the care of correctional facilities; provided, that the unit shall be located in Middlesex county to serve the needs of incarcerated persons in the care of the counties of

Barnstable, Bristol, Dukes County, Essex, Nantucket, Middlesex, Norfolk, Plymouth and Suffolk; provided further, that the services of the unit shall be made available to incarcerated persons in the care of the department of correction; provided further, that the Middlesex sheriff's office shall work in cooperation with the Hampden sheriff's office to determine a standardized set of definitions and measurements for patients at both regional behavioral evaluation and stabilization units; provided further, that not later than February 9, 2026, the Middlesex sheriff's office, in cooperation with the department of correction and the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc., shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to, the: (i) number of incarcerated persons in facilities located in counties that were provided services in each unit; (ii) number of incarcerated persons in department of correction facilities that were provided services in each unit; (iii) alleviation of caseload at Bridgewater state hospital associated with fewer incarcerated persons in the care of counties being attended to at the hospital; and (iv) estimated and projected cost savings in fiscal year 2026 to the sheriffs' offices and the department of correction associated with the regional units; and provided further, that the department of mental health shall maintain the monitoring and quality review functions of the unit $1,822,285

Hampshire Sheriff's Office.

8910-0110 For the operation of the Hampshire sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 16, 2025, the office shall provide a comprehensive inventory of all current programs and practices, in a manner to be determined by the executive office of public safety and security, to the executive office for administration and finance, the executive office of public safety and security and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the executive office of public safety and security to allow for the reporting of recidivism rates for all pre-trial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning in the quarter ending September 30, 2025 and which shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110 ..... $17,932,866

Berkshire Sheriff's Office.

8910-0145 For the operation of the Berkshire sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 16, 2025, the office shall provide a comprehensive inventory of all current programs and practices, in a manner to be determined by the executive office of public safety and security, to the executive office for administration and finance, the executive office of public safety and security and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the executive office of public safety and security to allow for the reporting of recidivism rates for all pre-trial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning in the quarter ending September 30, 2025 and shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended

for the Berkshire county opioid education and awareness task force; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110 ..... $21,259,340

8910-0155 For the operation of the Berkshire aquaponics program at the Berkshire County house of correction $150,000

8910-0445 For the Berkshire sheriff's office, which may expend not more than $100,000 in revenues generated from the operation of the Berkshire county communication center's 911 dispatch operations and other law enforcement-related activities, including the Berkshire sheriff's prison industries program; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $100,000

8910-0760 For the Berkshire sheriff's office, which may expend for the costs of private police details, including administrative costs, an amount not more than $1,500,000 from fees charged for such details; provided, that notwithstanding any general or specific law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $1,500,000

Franklin Sheriff's Office.

8910-0108 For the operation of the Franklin sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 16, 2025, the office shall provide a comprehensive inventory of all current programs and practices, in a manner to be determined by the executive office of public safety and security, to the executive office for administration and finance, the executive office of public safety and security and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the executive office of public safety and security to allow for the reporting of recidivism rates for all pre-trial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning in the quarter ending September 30, 2025 and shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110; provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be provided for a pilot program for training active bystanders; and provided further, that not less than $150,000 shall be expended for the Franklin county opioid education and awareness task force $21,232,907

Essex Sheriff's Office.

8910-0618 For the Essex sheriff's office, which may expend for the costs of private police details, including administrative costs, an amount not

more than $1,850,000 from fees charged for those details; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $1,850,000

8910-0619 For the operation of the Essex sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 16, 2025, the office shall provide a comprehensive inventory of all current programs and practices, in a manner to be determined by the executive office of public safety and security, to the executive office for administration and finance, the executive office of public safety and security and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the executive office of public safety and security to allow for the reporting of recidivism rates for all pre-trial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning in the quarter ending September 30, 2025 and shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110 ..... $88,984,867

Massachusetts Sheriffs Association.

8910-7110 For the operation of the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc.; provided, that the sheriffs shall appoint persons to serve as executive director, assistant executive director, research director and other staff positions as necessary for the coordination and standardization of services and programs, the collection and analysis of data related to incarceration, recidivism and generation of reports, technical assistance and training to ensure standardization in organization, operations and procedures; provided further, that said staff shall not be subject to section 45 of chapter 30 of the General Laws or chapter 31 of the General Laws and shall serve at the pleasure of a majority of the sheriffs; provided further, that not later than January 30, 2026, the executive director of the association shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the amounts of all grants awarded to each sheriff's office in fiscal year 2025; provided further, that the association shall post on its website the average daily incarcerated persons population for the month by the fifteenth day of the subsequent month; provided further, that not later than August 15, 2025, the first such post shall be completed; provided further, that each sheriff's office, in conjunction with the association, shall provide specific data to the executive office of public safety and security to allow for the reporting of recidivism rates for all pre-trial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning in the quarter ending September 30, 2025 and due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that each sheriff's office shall submit said report directly to the executive office for administration and finance, the house and senate committees on ways and means, the joint committee on public safety and homeland security, the executive office of public safety and security, the association and the department of correction; provided further, that not later than January 30, 2026, the association shall

submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing, for each sheriff's office: (i) all services and goods provided to incarcerated persons in which the sheriff's office receives revenue; (ii) all fees imposed on incarcerated persons, delineated by services or goods provided; (iii) the mechanism used to inform incarcerated persons of such fees and of their opportunities to waive certain fees; and (iv) all commissary and trust funds administered, including the total revenues and expenditures for fiscal year 2025, revenue projections for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 and the current balances of such funds; and provided further, that all expenditures made by the sheriffs' offices shall be subject to chapter 29 of the General Laws and recorded on the state accounting system $758,899

Barnstable Sheriff's Office.

8910-8200 For the operation of the Barnstable sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 16, 2025, the office shall provide a comprehensive inventory of all current programs and practices, in a manner to be determined by the executive office of public safety and security, to the executive office for administration and finance, the executive office of public safety and security and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the executive office of public safety and security to allow for the reporting of recidivism rates for all pre-trial, county-sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning in the quarter ending September 30, 2025 and shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110 ..... $33,416,711

8910-8213 For the Barnstable sheriff's office, which may expend not more than $1,500,000 in revenues collected from municipalities and other entities for regional emergency and public safety communication services to support the operations, development, membership and maintenance of the office; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $1,500,000

8910-8227 For the Barnstable sheriff's office, which may expend for the operation of a prison industries program an amount not to exceed $50,000 from revenues collected from the sale of prison industries products; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate, as reported in the state accounting system $50,000

Bristol Sheriff's Office.

8910-8300 For the operation of the Bristol sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 16, 2025, the office shall provide a comprehensive inventory of all current programs and practices, in a manner to be determined by the executive office of public safety and security, to the executive office for administration and finance, the executive office of public safety and security, and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the executive office of public safety and security to allow for the reporting of recidivism rates for all pre-trial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning in the quarter ending September 30, 2025 and shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110 ..... $62,061,753

Dukes County Sheriff's Office.

8910-8400 For the operation of the Dukes County sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 16, 2025, the office shall provide a comprehensive inventory of all current programs and practices, in a manner to be determined by the executive office of public safety and security, to the executive office for administration and finance, the executive office of public safety and security and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the executive office of public safety and security to allow for the reporting of recidivism rates for all pre-trial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning in the quarter ending September 30, 2025 and shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110 ..... $3,936,521

8910-8401 For the Dukes County sheriff's office, which may expend not more than $300,000 in revenues collected from municipalities and other entities for regional emergency and public safety communication services to support the operations, development, membership and maintenance of the office; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $300,000

Nantucket Sheriff's Office.

8910-8500 For the operation of the Nantucket sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 16, 2025, the office shall provide a comprehensive inventory of all current programs and practices, in a manner to be determined by the executive office of public safety and security, to the executive office for administration and finance, the executive office of public safety and security, and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the executive office of public safety and security to allow for the reporting of recidivism rates for all pre-

trial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning in the quarter ending September 30, 2025 and shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110 ..... $872,958

Norfolk Sheriff's Office.

8910-8600 For the operation of the Norfolk sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 16, 2025, the office shall provide a comprehensive inventory of all current programs and practices, in a manner to be determined by the executive office of public safety and security, to the executive office for administration and finance, the executive office of public safety and security and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the executive office of public safety and security to allow for the reporting of recidivism rates for all pre-trial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning in the quarter ending September 30, 2025 and shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110 ..... $40,680,876

8910-8629 For the Norfolk sheriff's office, which may expend not more than $55,430 in revenues collected from municipalities and other entities for regional emergency and public safety communication services to support the operations, development, membership and maintenance of the office; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purposes of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $55,430

8910-8630 For the Norfolk sheriff's office, which may expend not more than $160,000 in revenues collected from public or private entities or persons for community programs; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purposes of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system..... $160,000

Plymouth Sheriff's Office.

8910-8700 For the operation of the Plymouth sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 16, 2025, the office shall provide a comprehensive inventory of all current programs and practices, in a manner to be determined by the executive office of public safety and security, to the executive office for administration and finance, the executive office of public safety and security and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that the office shall

provide relevant data to the executive office of public safety and security to allow for the reporting of recidivism rates for all pre-trial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning in the quarter ending September 30, 2025 and shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110 ..... $72,924,436

8910-8718 For the Plymouth sheriff's office, which may expend not more than $300,000 in revenues collected from municipalities and other entities for regional emergency and public safety communication services to support the operations, development, membership and maintenance of the office; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $300,000

Suffolk Sheriff's Office.

8910-8800 For the operation of the Suffolk sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 16, 2025, the office shall provide a comprehensive inventory of all current programs and practices, in a manner to be determined by the executive office of public safety and security, to the executive office for administration and finance, the executive office of public safety and security and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the executive office of public safety and security to allow for the reporting of recidivism rates for all pre-trial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning in the quarter ending September 30, 2025 and shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to the Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110 ..... $129,997,203

8910-8900 For the Suffolk sheriff's office, which may expend for the operation of the Suffolk county regional lockup not more than $1,800,000 in revenue; provided, that the office shall enter into agreements to provide detention services to various law enforcement agencies and municipalities and shall determine and collect fees for such detentions from the law enforcement agencies and municipalities; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the office may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system $1,800,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF AGING AND INDEPENDENCE.

Office of the Secretary.

9110-0100 For the operation of the executive office of aging and independence and the regulation of assisted living facilities $5,896,575

9110-0600 For health care services provided to MassHealth members who are older adults eligible for community-based waiver services; provided, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to recipients in prior fiscal years; provided further, that subject to the assessed needs of consumers or the terms of the waiver, the funding for benefits of community-based waiver services shall not be reduced below the level of services provided in fiscal year 2025; provided further, that the eligibility requirements for this program shall not be more restrictive than those established in fiscal year 2024; provided further, that funds shall be expended from this item to implement the pre-admission counseling and assessment program under the fourth paragraph of section 9 of chapter 118E of the General Laws, which shall be implemented on a statewide basis through the Aging and Disability Resource Consortia; and provided further, that funds from this item may be expended for the clinical assessment and eligibility program and the comprehensive service and screening model program $435,327,334

9110-1455 For the costs of the subsidized catastrophic prescription drug insurance program established in section 39 of chapter 19A of the General Laws and for the operations of the consolidated MassOptions, prescription advantage and 800-age-info customer service centers; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary or unless otherwise prohibited by state or federal law, prescription drug coverage or benefits payable by the executive office of aging and independence and the entities with which it has contracted for administration of the subsidized catastrophic prescription drug insurance program under said section 39 of said chapter 19A shall be the payer of last resort for this program for eligible persons with regard to any other third-party prescription drug coverage or benefits available to eligible persons; provided further, that the executive office shall take steps for the coordination of benefits with the Medicare prescription drug benefit created under the federal Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003, Public Law 108-173, as amended, to ensure that residents of the commonwealth take advantage of this benefit; provided further, that residents shall also be eligible to enroll in the program at any time within a year after reaching age 65; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the operation of the pharmacy outreach program under section 4C of said chapter 19A; provided further, that the executive office shall seek to obtain maximum federal funding for discounts on prescription drugs available to the executive office and to prescription advantage enrollees; provided further, that amounts received by the executive office's vendor as premium revenue for this program may be retained and expended by the vendor for the program; provided further, that not less than 90 days before any action to limit or cap the number of enrollees in the program, the executive office shall notify the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that not less than 30 days before any coverage or benefits expansions, the executive office shall notify the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that not less than $1,000,000 shall be expended for the Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone, or SHINE, program, administered by the executive office in partnership

with local community-based organizations including, but not limited to, councils on aging, aging service access points and others, in order to support the operational costs incurred by these programs; and provided further, that the executive office shall allow those who meet the program eligibility criteria to enroll in the program at any time during the year $19,635,432

9110-1604 For the operation of the supportive senior housing program at state or federally assisted housing sites; provided, that for fiscal year 2026 the executive office shall maintain the same number of sites as in fiscal year 2025, prior appropriation continued $11,642,961

9110-1630 For the operation of the elder home care program, including contracts with aging service access points or other qualified entities for the home care program, home care, health aides, homemaker, personal care, supportive home care aides, home health and respite services, geriatric behavioral health services and other services provided to older adults; provided, that sliding-scale fees shall be charged to qualified older adults; provided further, that the secretary of aging and independence may waive collection of sliding-scale fees in cases of extreme financial hardship; provided further, that not more than $16,000,000 in revenues accrued from sliding-scale fees shall be retained by the individual home care organizations without reallocation by the executive office of aging and independence and shall be expended for the home care program, consistent with guidelines to be issued by the executive office; provided further, that no rate increase shall be awarded in fiscal year 2026 that would cause a reduction in client services or the number of clients served; provided further, that no funds shall be expended from this item to pay for salary increases for direct service workers who provide state-funded homemaker and home health aide services that would cause a reduction in client services; provided further, that the secretary may transfer not more than 3 per cent of the funds appropriated in this item to item 9110-1633 for case management services and the administration of the home care program; provided further, that the secretary shall expend not less than $1,400,000 between this item and said item 9110-1633 on recipients of the home care over-income cost-sharing program; provided further, that funding shall be expended for a contract with the LGBTQIA+ Aging Project for provider training including, but not limited to, home care and home health providers, councils on aging, skilled nursing facilities and adult day health programs and outreach to gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning older adults and to caregivers $280,355,704

9110-1633 For the operation of the elder home care case management program, including contracts with aging service access points or other qualified entities for home care case management services and the administration of the home care organizations funded through item 9110-1630; provided, that the contracts shall include the costs of administrative personnel, home care case managers, travel, rent and other costs deemed appropriate by the executive office of aging and independence; and provided further, that the secretary of aging and independence may transfer an amount not more than 3 per cent of the funds appropriated in this item to item 9110-1630 ..... $110,705,880

9110-1636	For the elder protective services program including, but not limited to, protective services case management, guardianship services, the statewide elder abuse hotline, money management services and the elder-at-risk program	$49,625,111
9110-1637	For a grant program administered by the secretary of aging and independence that focuses on advanced skill training for the home care aide workforce that serves consumers of the elder home care program administered by the department of aging and independence; provided, that not later than March 3, 2026 the executive office of aging and independence shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (i) the number of students currently enrolled in the online training program, outreach measures to encourage enrollment; (ii) the cost of the course to students, the number of students who have completed the course; and (iii) the number of former students currently working as home care aides in Massachusetts	$1,195,525
9110-1640	For the geriatric mental health program, including outreach, counseling, resource management and system navigation for community-dwelling older adults with mental health needs	$2,473,357
9110-1660	For congregate and shared housing services and naturally occurring retirement communities for older adults; provided, that not less than $856,000 shall be expended for providers of naturally occurring retirement communities with whom the executive office of aging and independence entered into service agreements in fiscal year 2025 and shall maintain at proportions of total available funding equal to those provided in fiscal year 2025	$4,176,695
9110-1700	For assessment, placement and homelessness prevention services for homeless and at-risk older adults	$286,000
9110-1900	For the elder nutrition program; provided, that not less than the amount appropriated in item 9110-1900 of section 2 of chapter 24 of the acts of 2021 shall be expended for the senior farm share program	$12,657,217
9110-9002	For grants to the councils on aging and for grants to or contracts with non-public entities which are consortia or associations of councils on aging; provided, that notwithstanding the former proviso, all funds appropriated in this item shall be expended under the distribution schedules for formula and incentive grants established by the secretary of aging and independence; provided further, that the formula grant portion of this item shall be $16 per elder; and provided further, that not later than February 6, 2026, the distribution schedules shall be submitted to the house and senate committees on ways and means	$29,522,592

LEGISLATURE.

Senate.

9500-0000	For the operation of the senate	$30,730,075

House of Representatives.

9600-0000 For the operation of the house of representatives $49,880,444

Joint Legislative Expenses.

9700-0000 For the joint operations of the legislature $11,260,795

SECTION 2B.

SECTION 2B. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the agencies listed in this section may expend the amounts listed in this section for the provision of services to agencies listed in section 2. All expenditures made under this section shall be accompanied by a corresponding transfer of funds from an account listed in said section 2 to the Intragovernmental Service Fund established in section 2Q of chapter 29 of the General Laws. All revenues and other inflows shall be based on rates published by the seller agency that are developed in accordance with cost principles established by the United States Office of Management and Budget Circular A-87, Cost Principles for State, Local and Indian Tribal Governments. All rates shall be published within 30 days after the effective date of this section. No expenditures shall be made from the Intragovernmental Service Fund which would cause that fund to be in deficit at the close of fiscal year 2026. All authorizations in this section shall be charged to the Intragovernmental Service Fund and shall not be subject to section 5D of said chapter 29. Any balance remaining in that fund at the close of fiscal year 2026 shall be transferred to the General Fund.

SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

0511-0003 For the costs of providing electronic and other publications purchased from the state bookstore, for commission fees, notary fees and for direct access to the secretary's computer library $16,000

TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL.

0699-0018 For the cost of debt service for the clean energy investment program and other projects or programs for which an agency has committed to fund the associated debt service; provided, that the state treasurer may charge other appropriations and federal grants for the cost of the debt service $35,234,951

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER.

1000-0005 For the cost of the single state audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026; provided, that the comptroller may charge other appropriations and federal grants for the cost of the audit $1,817,632

1000-0008 For the costs of operating and managing the state management accounting and reporting system accounting system for fiscal year 2026; provided, that any unspent balance at the close of fiscal year 2026 in an amount not to exceed 5 per cent of the amount authorized shall remain in the Intergovernmental Service Fund and is hereby re-authorized for expenditures for such item in fiscal year 2027 ..... $4,556,136

1000-0601 For the office of the comptroller which may, on behalf of the office, the human resources division and the executive office of technology services and security, charge and collect from participating state agencies a fee sufficient to cover administrative costs and expend

such fees for goods and services rendered in the administration of the human resources compensation management system program..... $2,442,905

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE.

Office of the Secretary.

1100-1701 For the cost of information technology services provided to agencies of the executive office for administration and finance $27,084,189

Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance.

1102-3224 For the costs for the Leverett Saltonstall building lease and occupancy payments, as provided in chapter 237 of the acts of 2000 ..... $15,856,741

1102-3226 For the operation and maintenance of state buildings; provided, that the division of capital asset management and maintenance may also charge for reimbursement for overtime expenses, materials and contract services purchased in performing renovations and related services for agencies occupying state buildings or for services rendered to approved entities using state facilities $14,255,568

Reserves.

1599-2040 For the payment of prior year deficiencies based upon schedules provided to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the comptroller may certify payments on behalf of departments for certain contracted goods or services rendered in prior fiscal years for which certain statutes, regulations or procedures were not properly followed; provided further, that the department that was a party to the transaction shall certify in writing that the services were performed or goods delivered and shall provide additional information that the comptroller may require; provided further, that the comptroller may charge departments' current fiscal year appropriations and transfer to this item amounts equivalent to the amounts of any prior year deficiency, subject to the conditions stated in this item; provided further, that the comptroller shall assess a chargeback to that current fiscal year appropriation that is for the same purpose as that to which the prior year deficiency pertains or, if there is no appropriation for that purpose, to that current fiscal year appropriation which is most similar in purpose to the appropriation to which the prior year deficiency pertains or is for the general administration of the department that administered the appropriation to which the prior year deficiency pertains; provided further, that no chargeback shall be made which would cause a deficiency in any current fiscal year item; provided further, that the comptroller shall report with such schedule a detailed reason for the prior year deficiency on all chargebacks assessed that exceed $10,000 including the amount of the chargeback, the item and object class charged; provided further, that the comptroller shall report on a quarterly basis on all chargebacks assessed, including the amount of the chargeback, the item, object class charged and the reason for the prior year deficiency; and provided further, that the comptroller shall include in the schedules the amount of each prior

year deficiency paid, the fiscal year and appropriation to which it pertained, the current fiscal year appropriation and object class to which it was charged and the department's explanation for the failure to make payment in a timely manner $50,000,000

1599-3100 For the cost of the commonwealth's employer contributions to the Unemployment Compensation Fund and the Medical Security Trust Fund established in section 48 of chapter 151A of the General Laws; provided, that the secretary of administration and finance shall authorize the collection, accounting and payment of these contributions; and provided further, that in executing these responsibilities, the comptroller may charge, in addition to individual appropriation accounts, certain non-appropriated funds in amounts that are computed based on rates developed in accordance with the Office of Management and Budget circular A-87, including expenses, interest expense or related charges $38,000,000

1599-3101 For the cost of the commonwealth's employer contributions to the Family and Employment Security Trust Fund established in section 7 of chapter 175M of the General Laws; provided, that the secretary of administration and finance shall authorize the collection, accounting and payment of these contributions; and provided further, that in executing these responsibilities the comptroller may charge, in addition to individual appropriation accounts, certain non-appropriated funds in amounts that are computed based on rates developed in accordance with the Office of Management and Budget circular A-87, including expenses, interest expense and related charges $50,000,000

Human Resources Division.

1750-0101 For the cost of goods and services rendered in administering training programs, including the cost of training unit staff; provided, that the human resources division shall charge to other items for the cost of participants enrolled in programs sponsored by the division or to state agencies employing such participants; provided further, that the division may collect from participating state agencies a fee sufficient to cover administrative costs of the commonwealth's performance recognition programs and to expend such fees for goods and services rendered in the administration of these programs; provided further, that the division may charge and collect from participating state agencies a fee sufficient to cover administrative costs and expend such fees for goods and services rendered in the administration of information technology services related to the human resources compensation management system program; and provided further, that the division may charge and collect from participating state agencies fees sufficient to cover the costs of shared services $367,343

1750-0105 For the cost of the commonwealth's workers' compensation program, including the workers' compensation litigation unit; provided, that the secretary of administration and finance shall charge state agencies for workers' compensation costs, including related administrative expenses, incurred on behalf of the employees of those agencies; provided further, that the personnel administrator shall administer those charges on behalf of the secretary and may establish regulations considered necessary to implement this item; provided further, that the personnel administrator shall notify agencies

regarding the chargeback methodology to be used in fiscal year 2026 and the amount of their estimated workers' compensation charges and shall require agencies to encumber sufficient funds to meet the estimated charges, including any additional amounts considered necessary under the regulations; provided further, that for any agency that fails within 60 days of the effective date of this act to encumber funds sufficient to meet the estimated charges, the comptroller shall encumber funds on behalf of that agency; provided further, that the personnel administrator shall: (i) determine the amount of the actual workers' compensation costs incurred by each agency in the preceding month, including related administrative expenses; (ii) notify each agency of those amounts; (iii) charge those amounts to each agency's accounts as estimates of the costs to be incurred in the current month; and (iv) transfer those amounts to this item; provided further, that any unspent balance in this item at the close of fiscal year 2026 shall be re-authorized for expenditure in fiscal year 2027; and provided further, that prior year costs for hospital, physician, benefit and other costs may be funded from this item $66,007,132

1750-0106 For the workers' compensation litigation unit, including the costs of personnel $1,038,788

1750-0600 For the cost of core human resources administrative processing functions $3,476,920

Operational Services Division.

1775-0800 For the purchase, operation and repair of vehicles and for the cost of operating and maintaining all vehicles that are leased by other agencies, including the costs of personnel; provided, that any unspent balance at the close of fiscal year 2026 shall remain in the Intragovernmental Service Fund and may be expended for that item in fiscal year 2027 ..... $8,161,573

1775-1000 For the provision of printing, photocopying, mailing and related graphic art or design work, including all necessary incidental expenses and liabilities $11,162,432

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR VETERANS' SERVICES.

Office of the Secretary.

1410-0110 For the cost of central services provided to agencies of the executive office of veterans' services $5,000,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY SERVICES AND SECURITY.

1790-0200 For the cost of computer resources and services provided by the executive office of technology services and security; provided, that any unspent balance at the close of fiscal year 2026 shall remain in the Intragovernmental Service Fund and may be expended for the item in fiscal year 2027 ..... $179,363,291

1790-0201 For the costs of any information technology or telecommunications product, service or equipment incurred by the executive office of technology services and security in delivering necessary information technology and telecommunications services and products to its customers, but not including any administrative costs; provided, that any unspent balance at the close of fiscal year 2026 shall remain in the Intragovernmental Service Fund and may be expended for the item in fiscal year 2027 ..... $30,000,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Office of the Secretary.

2000-1701 For the cost of information technology services provided to agencies of the executive office of energy and environmental affairs $6,557,316

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

Office of the Secretary.

4000-0102 For the cost of transportation services for health and human services clients and the operation of the health and human services transportation office $20,334,806

4000-0103 For the costs of core administrative functions performed within the executive office of health and human services; provided, that the secretary of health and human services, notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, may identify administrative activities and functions common to the separate agencies, departments, offices, divisions and commissions within the executive office and may designate those functions as core administrative functions in order to improve administrative efficiency and preserve fiscal resources; provided further, that common functions may be designated core administrative functions including, but not limited to, human resources, financial management, leasing and facility management; provided further, that all employees performing functions so designated may be employed by the executive office; provided further, that upon the designation of a function as a core administrative function, the employees of each agency, department, office or commission who perform these core administrative functions may be transferred to the executive office of health and human services; provided further, that the executive office shall charge the agencies, departments, offices, divisions and commissions for the services under this item; provided further, that the reorganization shall not impair the civil service status of any transferred employee who immediately before the effective date of this act either holds a permanent appointment in a position classified under chapter 31 of the General Laws or has tenure in a position by reason of section 9A of chapter 30 of the General Laws; and provided further, that nothing in this item shall impair or change an employee's status, rights or benefits under chapter 150E of the General Laws $45,876,388

4000-1701 For the cost of information technology services provided to agencies of the executive office of health and human services $73,868,753

Massachusetts Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

4125-0122 For the costs of interpreter services provided by commission staff; provided, that the costs of personnel may be charged to this item; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the commission may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system..... $450,000

4125-0124 For the costs of contracted communication access services incurred by the commission for the deaf and hard of hearing to deliver necessary communication access services to commonwealth agencies, but not including any administrative costs; provided, that any unspent balance at the close of fiscal year 2026 shall remain in the Intragovernmental Service Fund and may be expended for the item in fiscal year 2027..... $6,000,000

Department of Public Health.

4510-0108 For the costs of pharmaceutical drugs and services provided by the state office for pharmacy services; provided, that the state office shall notify all agencies listed below of their obligations under this item by December 30, 2025; provided further, that the state office shall continue to be the sole provider of pharmacy services for the following agencies currently under the state office: (i) the department of public health; (ii) the department of mental health; (iii) the department of developmental services; (iv) the department of correction; (v) the sheriffs' offices of Barnstable, Berkshire, Bristol, Essex, Franklin, Hampden, Hampshire, Middlesex, Norfolk and Plymouth; and (vi) the Soldiers' Homes in the cities of Holyoke and Chelsea; provided further, that the state office shall be the sole provider of pharmacy services for all said agencies and all costs for pharmacy services shall be charged by this item; provided further, that the state office shall become the sole provider of pharmacy services to the sheriffs' offices of Worcester and Suffolk; provided further, that these agencies shall not charge or contract with any other alternative vendor for pharmacy services other than the state office; provided further, that the state office shall validate previously-submitted pharmacy expenditures including HIV Drug Assistance Program drug reimbursements during fiscal year 2026; provided further, that the state office shall continue to work to reduce medication costs, provide standardized policies and procedures in a clinically responsible manner, provide comprehensive data analysis and improve the quality of clinical services; and provided further, that not later than April 16, 2026, the state office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing recommendations for the inclusion of other entities that may realize cost savings by joining the state office..... $71,052,404

4590-0901 For the costs of medical services provided at department of public health hospitals and charged to other state agencies..... $159,135

4590-0903 For the costs of medical services provided at the department of public health Lemuel Shattuck hospital to incarcerated persons in the care of houses of correction; provided, that the costs shall be charged to items 8910-0102, 8910-0105, 8910-0107, 8910-0108, 8910-0110, 8910-0145, 8910-0619, 8910-8200, 8910-8300, 8910-8400, 8910-8500, 8910-8600, 8910-8700, and 8910-8800 of section 2 ..... $3,160,038

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Office of the Secretary.

7002-0018 For the cost of information technology services provided to agencies of the executive office of economic development $6,864,065

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF EDUCATION.

Office of the Secretary.

7009-1701 For the cost of information technology services provided to agencies of the executive office of education $3,000,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY.

Office of the Secretary.

8000-1701 For the cost of information technology services provided to agencies of the executive office of public safety and security $11,464,504

Department of State Police.

8100-0002 For the costs associated with department of state police personnel assigned to roadways of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, the district attorneys' offices, the attorney general, the Massachusetts gaming commission and other state agencies; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purpose of accommodating timing discrepancies between the receipt of retained revenues and related expenditures, the department may incur expenses and the comptroller may certify for payment amounts not to exceed the lower of this authorization or the most recent revenue estimate as reported in the state accounting system..... $45,000,000

8100-0003 For the costs associated with the use and maintenance of the statewide telecommunications system $156,375

Military Division.

8700-1145 For the costs of utilities and maintenance associated with state armory rentals and related services and for the implementation of energy conservation measures with regard to the state armories $100,000

Department of Correction.

8900-0021	For costs related to the production and distribution of products produced by prison industries and for the costs of services provided by incarcerated persons; provided, that the commissioner of correction may allocate year-end net profits to the cost of drug, substance abuse and rehabilitative programming	$14,650,000

SECTION 2D.

SECTION 2D. The amounts set forth in this section are hereby appropriated from the General Federal Grants Fund. Federal funds received in excess of the amount appropriated in this section shall be expended only in accordance with section 6B of chapter 29 of the General Laws. The amount of any unexpended balance of federal grant funds received before June 30, 2025 and not included as part of an appropriation item in this section is hereby made available for expenditure during fiscal year 2026 and shall be in addition to any amount appropriated in this section.

JUDICIARY.

Supreme Judicial Court.

0320-1710	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Court Improvement Basic Grant	$643,450

Committee for Public Counsel Services.

0320-1808	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Collaboration to Correct Wrongful Convictions	$101,613
0320-1809	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Postconviction Testing of DNA Evidence	$515,968
0320-1810	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Collaboration to Correct Wrongful Convictions FY24 BJA Preventing Wrongful Convictions Program Expansion	$254,121

Trial Court.

0332-3201	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Chicopee and Holyoke Access to Treatment and Services	$333,333
0332-3501	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Maintain Independence and Sobriety Through Systems Integration	$392,241
0333-0123	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Guardianship: Helping Vulnerable Adults Explore Alternatives to Traditional Guardianship	$71,477
0337-0005	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, OJJDP FY 2021 Family Drug Program	$392,937
0339-0612	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Project NORTH	$427,566
0339-1014	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, BJA FY21 Second Chance Act Pay for Success Initiative	$225,000

0339-1015 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Improving Reentry High-Tech Career Reentry Path Project $300,000

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS.

Worcester District Attorney.

0340-0471 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Worcester County Drug Diversion and Drug Endangered Children (FCOSSAPDEC) $366,173

0340-0472 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Peer Recovery Support Center $530,000

Plymouth District Attorney.

0340-0837 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, BJA FY21 Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI) $561,956

0340-0841 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, BJA FY21 Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Program $113,015

0340-0842 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Plymouth County First Response to Substance Use & Recovery $431,003

0340-0843 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Human Trafficking 2nd Round $312,127

0340-0844 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, BJA FY24 National Community Courts Initiative $232,638

SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

0526-0113 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Historic Preservation Survey and Planning $1,157,066

0526-0118 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National Maritime Heritage Grant Program $200,000

TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL.

Massachusetts Cultural Council.

0640-9716 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Folk and Traditional Arts $35,000

0640-9717 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Basic State Grant $829,100

0640-9718 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Arts in Education $62,900

0640-9724 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Youth Reach State and Regional Programs $282,900

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Office of the Attorney General.

0810-0023 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY21 COPS Anti- Heroin Task Force Grant Program $3,889,492

0810-0024 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY21 COPS Anti-Heroin Task Force Grant Program $1,558,000

0810-0051 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY22 OVC Task Force to Combat Human Trafficking..... $750,000

0810-0052 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY22 OVC Task Force to Combat Human Trafficking..... $749,999

0810-0053 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY23 OVC Victim Compensation Formula $2,019,000

0810-0054 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY23 BJA STOP School Violence Program $997,672

0810-0060 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY22 OVC Victim Compensation Formula $1,669,000

Victim and Witness Assistance Board.

0840-0111 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Office of Victims of Crimes – Victim Assistance Formula..... $37,950,872

MASSACHUSETTS DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL.

1100-1702 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Implementation of the Federal Developmental Disabilities Act; provided, that in order to qualify for said grant, this item shall be exempt from the first $314,698 of fringe benefits and indirect cost charges under section 6B of chapter 29 of the General Laws..... $1,552,698

1100-1704 For the purposes of a federally funded technical assistance grant entitled, Maintain and Further Development of Developmental Disabilities Suite; provided, that in order to qualify for said grant, this item shall be exempt from the first $36,000 of fringe benefits and indirect cost charges under section 6B of chapter 29 of the General Laws..... $100,000

1100-1713 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Expanding the Public Health Workforce within the Disability Networks: State Councils on Developmental Disabilities; provided, that in order to qualify for said grant, this account shall be exempt from the first $4,800 of fringe benefits and indirect cost charges pursuant to section 6B of chapter 29 of the General Laws..... $14,000

Disabled Persons Protection Commission.

0840-0111	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Victims of Crime Act (VOCA)	$901,451
9110-1089	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Administration for Community Living (ACL)	$34,882
9110-1199	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, EJAP Adult Protective Services Formula Grants to States	$101,254

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE.

Massachusetts Office on Disability.

1107-2450	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Client Assistance Program	$230,000

Department of Revenue.

1201-0109	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Access and Visitation Program	$179,442

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF VETERANS' SERVICES.

Office of the Secretary.

1410-2601	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Cemetery Expansion - Agawam	$2,044,214
1410-2602	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Cemetery Expansion - Winchendon	$1,694,506

Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

4190-0400	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Consolidated Appropriations Act SVHs One Time Payment COVID	$512,203
4190-0401	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, American Rescue Plan Act SVHs One Time Payment COVID	$1,714,016

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS.

Office of the Secretary.

2000-0141	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management Program Implementation	$2,820,883
2000-0143	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Coastal Zone Management ILJA Capacity	$1,600,353

2000-9702	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National Parks Service Land and Water Conservation Fund	$8,609,063
2000-9735	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Buzzards Bay Estuary Program	$3,500,000
2030-0013	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Joint Enforcement Agreement Between NOAA-OLE-Fisheries	$333,022
2030-0115	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Port Security Grant Program	$316,191
2030-9701	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Recreational Boating Safety Program	$2,522,202

Department of Public Utilities.

2100-9013	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Rail Fixed Guideway Public Transportation System State Safety Oversight	$2,650,100
7006-9002	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Pipeline Security	$2,440,749

Department of Environmental Protection.

2200-9706	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Water Quality Management Planning	$770,225
2200-9712	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Leaking Underground Storage Tank Cooperative Agreement	$780,000
2200-9717	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Department of Defense State Memorandum of Agreement	$776,493
2200-9724	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Superfund Block Grant	$875,490
2200-9728	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Brownfields Assessment Program	$260,000
2200-9734	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, CERCLA 128(a) Response Program Cooperative Agreement for MADE	$700,000
2200-9735	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Brownfield Multipurpose CERCLA	$400,000
2230-9702	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Performance Partnership Grant	$16,000,000
2240-9790	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MassDEP Disadvantaged Communities Drinking Water	$30,140
2240-9791	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Long Island Sound Project (LIJA)	$3,000,000

2240-9792	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Small/Disadvantaged Comm Drinking Water Grant	$178,000
2240-9793	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MASSDEP Emerging Contaminants in Small or Disadvantaged Communities Grant	$7,605,000
2240-9794	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Lead Testing in School and Child Care Drinking Water	$250,451
2240-9795	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Small/Disadvantaged Comm Drinking Water Grant	$164,249
2240-9796	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, DEP 319 PPG NPS/PPG	$786,159
2240-9797	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, ENV Inf Exchange Network	$85,910
2240-9798	For the purpose of a federally funded grant entitled, MassDEP EC-SDC Grant Program #2	$3,208,167
2250-9712	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Clean Air Act Section 103	$115,587
2250-9716	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts National Air Toxics Trend Station Program	$19,857
2250-9726	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Homeland Security Co-Op Agreement	$769,359
2250-9732	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Underground Storage Program	$178,879
2250-9744	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Clean Diesel Program	$567,814
2250-9746	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, NAAQS Environmental Justice Communities	$47,603
2250-9747	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Enhanced Protection of Environmental Justice Populations in MA	$263,463
2250-9748	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Recycle Smart MA Initiative	$40,206
2250-9750	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Clean Air Act (IRA)	$442,750

Department of Fish and Game.

2310-0122	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Land Acquisition	$3,500,000
2310-0123	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Chronic Wasting Disease Education Program, Prevent Strategies, MA	$6,000

2310-0124	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Windsor Brook Wetland Restoration	$650,000
2310-0125	For the purpose of a federally funded grant entitled, Assessing Viability of NEWC Metapopulations	$50,000
2330-9222	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Clean Vessel Act Grant Program	$1,175,000
2330-9712	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Commercial Fisheries Statistics	$500,000
2330-9725	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Boating Infrastructure	$500,000
2330-9730	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Interstate Fisheries Management Support	$400,000
2330-9732	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, ACCSP Implementation Strategic Plan	$25,000
2330-9733	For the purpose of a federally funded grant entitled, Testing Cod Avoiding Trawl Net Designs	$250,000
2330-9739	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Turtle Disengagement	$950,000
2330-9742	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Age and Growth Project Segment One	$450,000
2330-9743	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Sport Fish Restoration Coordination	$125,000

Department of Agricultural Resources.

2511-0004	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Food Safety Program	$575,000
2511-0310	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Pesticide Enforcement Grant	$500,000
2511-0400	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey	$500,000
2511-0972	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program	$3,500,000
2511-1025	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Country of Origin Labeling - Retail Surveillance	$10,000
2515-1006	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National Animal Identification System	$45,000
2516-9002	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Development of Institutional Marketing	$700,000

2516-9003	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Farmers' Market Coupon Program	$600,000
2516-9004	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program	$535,000
2516-9005	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, ARPA Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program	$200,000
2516-9007	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Organic Certification Cost-Share Program	$12,000
2516-9008	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Resilient Food Systems Infrastructure	$1,500,000

Department of Conservation and Recreation.

2800-9760	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FEMA National Flood Insurance, Community Assistance Program, State Support Services Element	$395,000
2800-9770	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FEMA National Dam Safety Program	$2,757,419
2820-9705	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Identifying and Eradicating the Asian Longhorned Beetle	$2,800,000
2820-9708	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, NRCS Dam Rehabilitation Funding for Watershed Restoration	$3,850,573
2820-9903	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, USDA Forest Service Volunteer Fire Assistance Program	$307,998
2820-9919	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National Park Service's Historic Preservation Fund, (Semiquincentennial Grant Funding)	$350,000
2821-9110	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Inflation Reduction Act Funding for Urban and Community Forestry Programs	$500,000
2821-9905	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Urban and Community Forestry Grant	$482,532
2821-9908	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Forest Stewardship Conservation and Education Grant	$244,563
2821-9911	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Fire Assistance Grant	$405,949
2821-9912	For the purposes of a federally funded Bipartisan Infrastructure Law grant entitled, Community Wildfire Defense Grant	$30,367
2821-9913	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Hazard Fuels Management and Wildfire Risk Reduction Grant	$273,044

2821-9917	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Forest Legacy Administration Grant	$1,097,101
2821-9918	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, US Forest Service –IRA Funding for Forest Legacy Administration Grant	$3,366,666
2821-9919	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, 2024 USFSM-Underserved Forest Landowner Capacity IRA Grant	$500,000
2821-9926	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Forest Health Program Grant	$193,983
2821-9927	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Hemlock Woolly Adelgid Suppression Grant	$55,717
2821-9928	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, 2021 Community Wood Energy Grant – Warming Our Parks	$60,046
2830-9729	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, US Forest Service – IIJA Temporary Bridge Funding	$75,000
2830-9733	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, USFWS Aquatic Invasive Species Management Grant	$178,160
2840-9708	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, US Dept. of Commerce – NOAA – ILJA Funded – Capacity Building Habitat Coop Agreement	$350,000
2840-9709	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Waquoit Bay National Estuarine Research	$1,030,271
2850-9701	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Recreational Trails Grant Program	$1,486,955
2850-9702	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Federal Highway Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant	$325,000

Department of Energy Resources.

7006-9310	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Clean Cities Program	$115,000
7006-9311	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Energy Security Plan - SEP	$2,396,912
7006-9312	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, BIL - Bipartisan Infrastructure Law	$2,000,000
7006-9313	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, BIL - EECBG Program (IIJA)	$1,247,340
7006-9314	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Ira-50121 HER	$21,925,837
7006-9315	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Ira-50122 Hear	$21,842,739

7006-9316 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Solar for All $36,382,289

7006-9317 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Energy Efficiency Revolving Loan Fund Capitalization Grant Program $947,380

7006-9701 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Heating Oil Propane Program $22,288

7006-9734 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Energy Plan - SEP $1,228,359

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

Office of the Secretary.

4000-1826 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Money Follows the Person Y4 ..... $800,000

Office for Refugees and Immigrants.

4003-0808 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Youth Mentoring $235,200

4003-0818 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Elderly Refugee Services $151,903

4003-0821 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Refugee School Impact $2,136,406

4003-0826 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Refugee Cash and Medical Assistance Program $70,989,708

4003-0830 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Refugee Support Services Ukraine Base $1,200,000

4003-0845 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Wilson Fish TANF Coordination Program $1,080,000

4003-0854 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Refugee Health Promotion $2,338,000

4003-0855 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Refugee Social Services Program $21,896,726

4003-0860 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Afghan Refugee Social Service $5,277,893

4003-0862 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Afghan Refugee Health Promotion $788,264

Massachusetts Commission for the Blind.

4110-3021 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Vocational Rehabilitation; provided, that no funds shall be deducted for

pensions, group health and life insurance or any other such indirect cost of federally reimbursed state employees $8,134,873

4110-3026 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Independent Living–Services to Older Blind Americans $700,000

4110-3028 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Supported Employment $58,000

MassAbility.

4120-0020 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Vocational Rehabilitation; provided, that no funds shall be deducted for pensions, group health and life insurance or any other such indirect cost of federally reimbursed state employees $53,521,717

4120-0187 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Supported Employment Services Grant $303,452

4120-0191 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Informed Members Planning and Assessing Choices Together..... $235,100

4120-0421 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Road to Independence, Self-Sufficiency, and Employment..... $4,000,000

4120-0511 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Social Security Disability Insurance $55,731,678

4120-0751 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Assistive Technology Grant $611,189

4120-0752 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Independent Living Federal Grant (Part C) $1,731,410

4120-0753 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Independent Living State Grants (Part B) $385,492

4120-0758 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Beyond Bridges: The Intersection of Behavioral Health & Traumatic Brain Injury..... $280,969

4120-0765 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, (ISPH) Expanding Public Health Workforce..... $121,081

Department of Transitional Assistance.

4400-3064 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, SNAP Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention Grant $10,000,000

4400-3067 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment and Training..... $3,235,000

4400-3073 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Summer EBT Administrative Grant $2,262,172

4400-3074 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Summer EBT Benefit Grant $77,397,000

4400-3076	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, TANF Data Equity Modeling	$110,000,000

Department of Public Health.

4500-1002	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Preventive Health and Health Services	$4,845,171
4500-1056	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MA Rape Prevention and Education Program	$942,383
4500-1057	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Sexual Assault Service Program	$985,383
4500-1064	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Loan Repayment ARPA Funding	$839,800
4500-2000	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Maternal and Child Health Services	$13,125,116
4502-1012	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Cooperative Health Statistics System	$285,000
4510-0114	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Primary Care Offices	$349,580
4510-0117	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Office of Rural Health	$227,791
4510-0120	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Rural Hospital Flexibility Program	$538,305
4510-0223	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Oral Health Workforce Activities	$533,027
4510-0224	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Small Rural Hospital Improvement Grant Program	$82,992
4510-0401	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Medicare and Medicaid Survey and Certification	$12,532,386
4510-0404	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National Bioterrorism Hospital Preparedness Programs	$4,100,000
4510-0501	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendment	$ 806,680
4510-0507	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Impact Act for Hospice Recertification Surveys	$85,671
4510-0619	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FDA Inspection of Food Establishments	$100,000
4510-0645	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program	$842,185

4510-9014	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Mammography Quality Standards Act	$499,000
4510-9041	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, ATSDR's Partnership to Promote Local Efforts to Reduce Environmental Exposure	$489,000
4510-9048	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Indoor Radon Development Program	$170,000
4510-9053	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Beach Monitoring	$254,000
4510-9054	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Strengthening Statewide Environmental Health Capacity	$90,000
4510-9068	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Maintenance and Enhancement of the State and National Environment	$615,000
4510-9071	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MA Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program	$519,000
4510-9073	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Human and Animal Food Rapid Response Teams (U2F) MA FPP	$450,000
4512-0100	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Sexually Transmitted Disease Control	$2,091,000
4512-0101	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Strengthening STD Prevention & Control for Health Departments COVID	$1,200,000
4512-0108	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Mass Applications for STD Surveillance Parts A and B	$441,480
4512-0150	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Immunization and Vaccines for Children	$11,911,392
4512-0151	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Immunization and Vaccines for Children	$14,000,000
4512-0152	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Immunization and Vaccines for Children ARPA Supplemental	$90,000
4512-0193	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Building and Enhancing Epidemiology, Laboratory and Health Information Systems Capacity	$14,070,616
4512-0194	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases	$60,009,539
4512-0195	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Build Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity	$7,587,440
4512-0197	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, New England Pathogen Genomics Center of Excellence	$ 2,732,951

4512-0198	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, New England Pathogen Genomics Center of Excellence	$ 1,680,881
4512-9055	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Promoting Integration of Primary & Behavioral Health Care	$2,000,000
4512-9058	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant – ARPA Supplemental	$1,000,000
4512-9069	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant	$51,943,748
4512-9085	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Strategic Prevention Framework	$517,466
4512-9089	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Prevent Prescription Drug Overuse Misuse	$9,883,363
4512-9092	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Amy Sorensen-Alawad MPA	$1,643,070
4512-9093	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts State Opioid Response SOR	$72,621,523
4512-9426	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Uniform Alcohol and Drug Abuse Data	$689,574
4513-0111	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Housing Opportunity for People with AIDS Program	$ 700,758
4513-9007	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Women Infants and Children	$134,836,712
4513-9009	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, ARPA Technology for a Better WIC Experience	$565,000
4513-9014	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Enhancing Reviews & Surveillance to Eliminate Maternal Mortality	$495,000
4513-9021	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities	$9,612,117
4513-9031	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Systems Development Initiative for MA	$114,057
4513-9037	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Ryan White Care Act Title II	$23,401,181
4513-9047	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Comprehensive HIV Prevention Project for Health Departments	$9,285,775
4513-9056	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National HIV Behavioral Surveillance	$469,735

4513-9063	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education FY 2018	$850,998
4513-9070	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Emergency Medical Services for Children	$200,000
4513-9104	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Universal Newborn Hearing Screening	$310,000
4513-9106	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MA Comprehensive Asthma Control Program	$773,240
4513-9109	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Perinatal Quality Collaborative	$335,700
4513-9110	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, B Existing PRAMS	$175,202
4513-9112	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MA EHDI Project	$165,000
4513-9113	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Grant Program	$10,038,382
4513-9117	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Birth Defects Study to Evaluate Pregnancy Exposures	$1,091,721
4513-9121	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Pediatric Mental Healthcare Access New Area Expansion – ARPA	$850,000
4513-9127	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Ryan White Title IV Program	$542,459
4513-9130	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Maternal Health Innovation Program	$1,294,513
4513-9131	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Transforming Massachusetts Pediatrics for Early Childhood	$1,161,221
4513-9132	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Pediatric Mental Health Care Access Expansion	$81,758
4513-9133	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Childhood Essentials Preventing Adverse Experiences	$516,624
4513-9134	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MA Population-Based Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome Surveillance	$555,780
4514-1013	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2015 WIC Special Project Grants	$150,000
4514-1014	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, WIC Regional Infrastructure	$165,329
4515-0116	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Tuberculosis Elimination and Lab Control Co-op Agreement	$1,913,261

4515-0211	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD and TB Prevention	$1,163,698
4515-0215	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, New England Pathogen Genomics Center of Excellence	$500,000
4515-1125	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Viral Hepatitis Prevention and Surveillance	$700,696
4516-1013	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Biomonitoring Program to Assess Environment Chemical Exposure	$750,000
4516-1021	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Hospital Preparedness and Public Health Emergency Preparedness	$15,500,000
4516-1036	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MDPH HSLI Laboratory Accreditation	$145,000
4516-1042	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MASPHL-NARMS Cooperative Agreement	$182,000
4518-0520	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MA Violent Death Reporting System	$284,015
4518-0535	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Expanded Occupational Health Surveillance in MA	$753,033
4518-1000	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Procurement of Information for the National Death Index	$45,000
4518-1002	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Death File – Social Security Administration	$95,000
4518-1003	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Birth Records for the Social Security Administration	$192,000
4518-9023	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries	$70,637
4518-9052	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System	$600,000
4570-1010	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Strengthening PH Infrastructure, Workforce, and Data Systems	$2,187,994
4570-1011	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, PH Infrastructure, Workforce, and Data System ARPA	$3,752,916
4570-1527	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Personal Responsibility Education Program 2010	$1,048,026
4570-1534	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Federal Drug Administration Tobacco 2011	$1,810,770

4570-1548	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Paul Coverdell National Acute Stroke Prevention	$672,920
4570-1549	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Health and Disability Program	$650,000
4570-1554	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY14 Family Planning Services FOA	$7,348,447
4570-1557	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MA Organized Approaches to Increase Colorectal Cancer Screen	$652,871
4570-1561	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Core Violence Injury Prevention Program	$275,000
4570-1562	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, The Family Violence Service State Grants	$2,796,558
4570-1564	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MA Diabetes and Heart Disease Stroke Prevention Program	$2,354,008
4570-1568	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National and State Tobacco Control Program	$2,864,014
4570-1571	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MA Cancer Prevention and Control Program	$2,822,325
4570-1573	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State and Community Based Injury Prevention and Control	$ 1,102,512
4570-1575	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Suicide Prevention	$4,240,167
4570-1577	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Family Violence Prevention and Domestic Violence and Support Service ARPA	$9,257,424
4570-1578	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, CHWS for COVID Response & Resilient Communities	$3,650,718
4570-1579	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, ARP/SEJC Massachusetts Comprehensive Asthma Control Project	$ 200,000
4570-1580	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Family Violence Prevention and Services/Sexual Assault/Rape Crisis and Supports ARPA	$3,228,788

Department of Children and Families.

4800-0006	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Children's Justice Act	$310,073
4800-0009	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title IV-E Independent Living Program	$2,999,866

4800-0013	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Promoting Safe and Stable Families Program Title IV-B Subpart 2 and Caseworker Visitation	$7,523,198
4800-0084	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Education & Training Voucher Program	$1,043,671
4800-0089	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Adoption Incentives Payments	$1,394,000
4899-0001	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title IV-B Child Welfare Services	$3,507,302
4899-0021	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National Center for Child Abuse and Neglect	$1,893,122

Department of Mental Health.

5012-9179	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, ARPA for Block Grants for Community Mental Health Services	$3,260,869
5012-9182	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, BSCA Center for Mental Health Block Grants	$1,457,889
5012-9401	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Block Grants for Community Mental Health Services	$21,459,534
5012-9406	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, System of Care Expansion and Sustainability Grants	$929,366
5012-9407	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Psychosis Prevention Project	$399,999
5046-9100	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Shelter Plus Care	$337,017

Department of Developmental Services.

5911-3024	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Lifespan Respite	$315,586

Massachusetts Department of Transportation.

6440-0089	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Commercial Vehicle Information Systems and Networks	$775,999
6440-0090	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Commercial Driver License Information System Enhancement	$834,449
6440-0091	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Fatality Analysis Reporting	$118,406
6440-0011	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, SMART Drones	493,560

6440-0009	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program	$835,897
6642-0018	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Non-Urbanized Area Formula Program	$8,649,998
6642-0023	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Section 5303 & 5304 Metropolitan Transportation Planning	$2,077,806
6642-0026	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, New Freedom Operating Segment	$65,000
6642-0030	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facility Formula Funds	$4,711,125
6642-0049	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Special Needs for Elderly Individuals and Individuals with Disabilities	$3,879,250
6642-0050	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Section 5311 FFY20 CARES Act	$689,800
6642-0051	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, CRRSAA	$49,033
6643-0017	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, BUILD Grant	$205,570
6643-0018	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, CRISI Grant	$3,500,000
6643-0019	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, East Deerfield Intermodal Grant	$2,480,000
6644-0009	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Climate Pollution Reduction Program	$81,620

BOARD OF LIBRARY COMMISSIONERS.

7000-9702	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Library Service Technology Act	$3,642,371
9000-9700	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Federal Reserve Title I	$157,544

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Office of the Secretary.

7002-1003	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, EDA Statewide Tourism Grant ARPA	$58,348,810
7002-1005	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment	$1,000,000
7002-1007	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment	50,000,000

7002-2025 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Capital Projects Fund $86,737,472

Massachusetts Marketing Partnership.

7008-9028 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Step11 ..... $57,477

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.

Office of the Secretary.

7003-4206 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Lead License Enforcement $48,931

7003-6628 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, OSHA 23G Operational Program $1,423,484

Department of Career Services.

7002-6623 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Work Opportunity Tax Credit $556,292

7002-6625 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Labor Certification $646,929

7002-6626 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Employment Services State Allotment $14,000,000

7002-6628 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Disabled Veterans Outreach Program..... $3,054,648

7003-1010 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Trade Adjustment Assistance $556,292

7003-1630 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Workforce Investment Act Adult Activities $31,498,150

7003-1631 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Workforce Investment Act Youth Formula Grants $18,200,757

7003-1777 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Workforce Investment Act National Emergency Grants $261,180

7003-1778 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Workforce Investment Act Dislocated Worker Formula Grant $16,532,677

7003-1785 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Apprenticeships USA State Accelerator Grant..... $2,120,530

Department of Unemployment Assistance.

7002-6624 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Unemployment Insurance Administration..... $67,000,000

7002-9701	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics	$468,921
7003-2022	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Federal Unemployment Insurance ARPA Integrity	$900,000

Department of Labor Standards.

7002-2013	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Mine Safety and Health Training	$110,027
7003-4203	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Bureau of Labor Statistics Statistical Survey	$75,000
7003-4212	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Asbestos Licensing and Monitoring	$79,000
7003-4213	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Lead Licensing and Monitoring	$102,500
7003-6627	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Occupational Safety and Health Administration On-site Consultation Program	$74,250

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HOUSING AND LIVABLE COMMUNITIES.

Office of the Secretary.

4400-0705	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, McKinney Emergency Shelter Grants Program	$5,500,000
4400-0707	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Continuum of Care Supplemental Housing	$33,000,000
7004-1718	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (COC YHDP)	$1,500,000
7004-2021	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Federal COVID Rental Assistance	$1,500,000
7004-2030	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Weatherization Assistance for Low Income Persons	$13,000,000
7004-2033	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program	$220,000,000
7004-2034	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Community Services Block Grant	$24,000,000
7004-2041	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) (IIJA)	$11,000,000
7004-2043	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, BIL Weatherization Assistance Program (IIJA)	$50,000,000

7004-3037	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program	$80,000,000
7004-3039	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Community Development Block Grant COVID-19	$3,000,000
7004-9001	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Youth Homelessness System Improvement	$1,000,000
7004-9010	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Stability Voucher	$1,200,000
7004-9012	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Recovery Housing Program	$3,000,000
7004-9013	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Foster Youth to Independence	$1,200,000
7004-9014	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Federal Housing Voucher Program	$10,000,000
7004-9015	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Housing Choice Voucher and Moving to Work Program	$535,000,000
7004-9016	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Family Unification Program	$3,700,000
7004-9017	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Supportive Housing for Persons with Disabilities	$5,000,000
7004-9018	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Section 811 Project Based Rental Assistance Demonstration Program	$3,200,000
7004-9019	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Program	$7,200,000
7004-9021	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, the Family Self-Sufficiency Program	$1,200,000
7004-9022	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Emergency Housing Vouchers (ARPA)	$19,500,000
7004-9028	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Home Investment Partnerships	$23,000,000
7004-9029	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National Housing Trust Fund	$20,000,000
7004-9038	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Home Investment Partnership (ARPA)	$15,000,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF EDUCATION.

Department of Early Education and Care.

3000-0707	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Head Start Collaboration	$175,000
3000-9003	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention	$1,081,322
3000-9004	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention - ARPA	$945,000
3000-9005	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Preschool Development Grant Birth to Five (PDG)	$12,000,000

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

7010-9706	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Common Core Data Project	$174,861
7038-0107	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Adult Education – State Grant Program	$13,700,847
7043-1001	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title I Grants to Local Education Agencies	$285,434,127
7043-1004	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title I Migrant Children	$1,295,888
7043-1005	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title I Neglected Children and Orphans	$1,051,085
7043-2001	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title II Teacher Quality State Grants	$30,121,542
7043-3001	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title III Language Instruction and LEP Grants	$20,499,380
7043-4002	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title IV 21st Century Community Learning Centers	$20,598,667
7043-4004	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants	$21,478,609
7043-4005	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Stronger Connections Grant (SCG) Program	$7,333,970
7043-6001	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title VI State Assessment Grants	$6,818,554
7043-6501	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title X Homeless Children and Youth	$1,978,769
7043-7001	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Special Education Grants	$340,056,295
7043-7002	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Preschool Grants	$10,888,209

7043-8001	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Vocational Education Grants	$23,420,190
7048-2000	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, STEM AP Course Expansion Opportunity	$742,040
7048-2002	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Shaping Teacher Quality and Student of Color Experience in MA	$178,000
7048-2004	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, CLSD Equitable Literacy Experience	$10,152,081
7048-2005	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Academic Assessment for Science Grant	$3,155,500
7048-2321	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, CDC Funding to Promote Adolescent Health	$107,500
7048-7323	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy State Formula	$900,000
7048-9144	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Migrant Education Program Consortium Incentive Grants	$61,126
7053-2008	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Nutrition	$4,661,973
7053-2112	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Special Assistance Funds	$478,793,178
7053-2117	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Child Care Program	$6,496,010
7053-2119	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Child Nutrition School Food Equipment Grant	$186,251
7053-2125	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Commodity Supplemental Food Program	$265,534
7053-2126	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Temporary Emergency Food Assistance	$2,618,257
7053-2129	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, TEFAP CC Operational Funds	$435,000
7053-2266	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Team Nutrition Competitive Training Grant	$533,333
7053-3272	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Direct Certification Performance Award	$458,506
7057-2127	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FARM TO SCHOOL GRANTS ARPA	$453,778
7060-1000	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund COVID-19	$160,000,000

7060-2000	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Emergency Assistance for Non-Public Schools	$2,333,904
7062-0008	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Office of School Lunch Programs - Child Care Program Admin	$8,712,500
7062-0017	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Charter School Assistance and Distributions	$2,283,814

Department of Higher Education.

7066-6033	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs	$4,256,000

Community Colleges.

7503-6557	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Bristol CC - TRIO - Talent Search	$161,636
7503-9714	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Bristol CC - Upward Bound Program	$199,879
7518-6127	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Bunker Hill CC - College Work Study Program	$408,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY.

Office of the Secretary.

8000-0402	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, F402BIL Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Funds I	$6,000,000
8000-0405	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, F405BIL Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Funds II	$5,000,000
8000-4692	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Homeland Security Program	$5,868,016
8000-4707	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Nonprofit Security Grant Program	$5,587,881
8000-4727	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State and Local Cybersecurity	$7,122,187
8000-4794	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Urban Areas Initiative Grant	$15,509,028
8000-4804	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Agency Programs	$4,285
8000-4807	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, 405 Highway Safety Plan	$132,107

8000-4808	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, 402 Highway Safety Plan	$126,252
8100-4600	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2020 Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention	$96,987
8100-4610	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2022 Statistical Analysis Center	$18,750
8100-4611	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2020 Byrne Justice Assistance Programs	$3,976,596
8100-4622	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2020 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment – Admin Grant	$280,739
8100-4627	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2020 Sex Offender Registration - Grants	$249,233
8100-4628	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2020 National Criminal History Improvement Program	$2,600,000
8100-4639	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2020 John R. Justice Grant	$163,679
8100-4645	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Support for Adam Walsh Act Implementation Grant Program	$45,000
8100-4646	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2020 Violence Against Women Act	$3,451,619
8100-4669	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2022-23 Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program SCIP	$2,483,728
8100-4670	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY23 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulate, and Substance Use Grant	$2,250,724
8100-4671	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY23 Second Chance Act Smart Supervision	$350,000
8100-4693	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Project Safe Neighborhood – Admin Grant	$484,833

Department of State Police.

8100-1426	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2024 Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act	$120,000
8100-2013	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2023 Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration FFY2024	$153,060
8100-2014	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Admin FFY2024	$6,395,186
8100-2408	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2024 Prosecuting Cold Cases Using DNA	$200,000

8100-2541	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2024 Cops Microgrant to Prevent Hate Crimes	$75,000
8100-3003	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY23 COPS Anti-Heroin Task Force	$2,000,000
8100-3004	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY24 COPS AHTF	$2,480,000
8100-3011	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY21 COPS Anti-Meth Program	$184,000
8100-4183	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY24 ICAC Task Force Grant	$311,991
8100-4568	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY22 COPS Law Enforcement Accreditation Grant	$13,694
8100-9715	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2022-23 Port Security Grant	$3,000
8100-9716	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2024 Port Security Grant Program	$78,816
8100-9772	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY21 Coverdell Competitive	$14,146
8100-9776	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY23 Coverdell Formula	$41,633
8100-9777	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY24 Coverdell Formula	$124,217
8100-9782	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY23 DNA CEBR	$295,588
8100-9783	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY24 DNA CEBR	$500,000

Military Division.

8700-0014	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Army National Guard Administrative Services	$200,000
8700-1001	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Army National Guard Facilities Program	$31,134,400
8700-1002	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Army National Guard Environmental Program	$3,744,600
8700-1003	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Army National Guard Security	$1,642,050
8700-1004	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Army National Guard Electronic Security	$140,000

8700-1005	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Army National Guard Command Control, Communications and Information Management	$576,000
8700-1007	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Army National Guard Sustainable Ranges	$724,295
8700-1010	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Army National Guard Anti-Terrorism	$81,200
8700-1021	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Air National Guard Facilities Operations and Maintenance	$11,172,426
8700-1022	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Air National Guard Environmental	$107,084
8700-1023	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Air National Guard Security	$2,400,000
8700-1024	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Air National Guard Fire Protection	$4,289,893
8700-1031	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Air National Guard SRM Projects	$400,000
8700-1040	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Air National Guard Distributed Learning Program	$420,000
8700-2301	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Camp Edwards Readiness Center	$47,937,258

Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency.

8800-0005	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, EMPG	$5,220,700
8800-0040	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY23 Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant	$1,100,000
8800-0042	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Hazardous Materials Transportation Act	$500,000
8800-0050	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2023 Emergency Operations Center Grant	$2,000,000
8800-0051	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2022 1/30 Snowstorm HAZ Mitigation Program Project Cost	$100,000
8800-0096	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, COVID-19 Presidential Declaration Mitigation Grant Program	$2,000,000
8800-1544	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2022 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program Management Cost	$50,000
8800-1545	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2023 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program Project	$250,000

8800-1644	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY11 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Competitive Projects	$500,000
8800-1744	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Building Resilient Infrastructure Communities Grant Program Management Cost	$500,000
8800-1844	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Building Resilient Infrastructure Communities 2021	$100,000
8800-2012	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY12 Emergency Management Performance Grant	$2,000,000
8800-4110	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, February 8-9, 2013 Severe Winter Storm	$150,000
8800-4214	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, January 26-28 Severe Winter Storm	$80,000
8800-4372	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, March 2-3 2018 Severe Winter Storm and Flooding	$300,000
8800-4379	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, March 13-14 2018 Severe Winter Storm and Flooding	$500,000
8800-4496	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, COVID-19 Pandemic	$30,000,000
8810-0051	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, January 30 2022 Snowstorm Haz Mitigation Program Project Cost $1,707,277	$500,000
8810-0065	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, January 26-28 Severe Winter Storm	$40,000
8810-0072	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, March 2-3 2018 Severe Winter Storm and Flooding	$1,000,000
8810-0079	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, March 13-14 2018 Severe Winter Storm Flood Mitigation	$860,000
8810-0096	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, HMPG COVID-19 Pandemic PRJ	$5,000,000
8810-1544	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2022 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program Project Cost	$5,000,000
8810-1545	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY 2023 PRE-DISASTER MITIGATION PROGRAM PROJECT COST	$2,000,000
8810-1744	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities Project BRIC20	$3,000,000
8810-1844	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities Project Cost	$600,000

8810-1944	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2022 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities	$2,000,000
8810-3599	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, September 13 2023 Emergency Grant Leominster Region	$200,000
8810-4214	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, January 26-28 Severe Winter Storm	$10,000,000
8810-4372	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, March 2-3 2018 Severe Winter Storm Flooding	$8,000,000
8810-4379	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, March 13-14 2018 Severe Winter Storm and Flooding	$5,000,000
8810-4496	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, COVID-19 Pandemic OG 2020	$1,000,000,000
8810-4651	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, January 28-29 2022 Snowstorm Mitigation Assistance Project Cost	$100,00

Chief Medical Examiner.

8100-9774	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Coverdell Program	$36,614

Criminal Justice Information Services.

0840-0111	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Crime Victim Assistance	$79,969

Department of Fire Services.

8324-1505	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National Fire Academy Training Grant	$20,000

Department of Correction.

8900-7001	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Body-worn Camera Equipment	$40,435

Parole Board.

8950-0002	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MOVA	$310,083

Sheriffs.

Franklin Sheriff's Office.

7035-0002	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Adult Basic Education	$1,200
7043-8001	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Perkins Grant	$35,000

8100-4622 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners (RSAT) Program $30,000

8910-0820 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, SAMHSA - PDOA $525,000

8910-0822 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, COSSAP COAP $325,000

Hampden Sheriff's Office.

4512-9069 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Substance Abuse $108,500

7035-0002 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Adult Basic Education $354,743

7043-1005 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title 1 Neglected or Delinquent Program $96,037

7043-8001 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Perkins Grant..... $101,977

8100-4646 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Violence Against Women Act..... $46,000

Hampshire Sheriff's Office.

8100-4622 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners (RSAT) Program..... $35,000

Essex Sheriff's Office.

8910-0625 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Essex MAT Recovery Project $420,425

8910-0630 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Essex County Mental Health Diversion..... $225,000

Worcester Sheriff's Office.

8000-4622 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Residential Substance Abuse Treatment..... $7,500

Middlesex Sheriff's Office.

8910-0138 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, BJA Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant & Substance Abuse Site Based Program..... $556,302

8910-0172 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Body Worn Camera..... $60,000

8910-0174 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Site-based Program $556,302

Barnstable Sheriff's Office.

8910-8223 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, SAMHSA VIPS (Vivitrol Increased Participation Services) $523,826

Bristol Sheriff's Office.

8910-8322 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Parents & Their Minor Children $125,000

Norfolk Sheriff's Office.

8100-4622 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, RSAT Grant $8,264

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF AGING AND INDEPENDENCE.

9110-1063 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title VI OAA MA to Support Family Caregivers 25 ..... $490,000

9110-1064 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2024-25 MIPPA Priority 2 for AAAs $248,170

9110-1065 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2024-25 MIPPA Priority 3 for ADRCs $219,423

9110-1066 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2024 MIPPA Priority 1 for SHIPs $238,235

9110-1067 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2023 MIPPA Priority 1 for SHIPS $572,406

9110-1068 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2023 MIPPA Priority 2 for AAAS $329,000

9110-1069 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2023 MIPPA Priority 3 for ADRCs $202,203

9110-1074 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Older Americans Act $1,028,904

9110-1075 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title VII Ombudsman $781,032

9110-1076 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title IIIB Supportive Service $1,992,011

9110-1077 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National Family Caregiver Support Program $5,692,746

9110-1079 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, IIID Preventative Health $930,000

9110-1089 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, APC6 ARP for APS $4,236,749

9110-1094	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Health Insurance Assistance Program	$1,509,857
9110-1173	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Older Americans Act	$23,366,990
9110-1174	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Nutrition Services Incentive Program	$6,000,000
9110-1178	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Senior Community Service Employment Program	$1,700,000
9110-1199	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Elder Justice Adult Protective 24	$302,735

SECTION 2E.

SECTION 2E. The sums set forth in this section are hereby appropriated for transfer from the General Fund to the trust funds named within each item unless specifically designated otherwise in this section, for the purposes and subject to the conditions specified in this section and subject to the laws regulating the disbursement of public funds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026. Items in this section shall not be subject to allotment under section 9B of chapter 29 of the General Laws or reduction under section 9C of said chapter 29 without express authorization from the general court. Notwithstanding section 19A of said chapter 29, any transfer under this section shall be made by the comptroller in accordance with a transfer schedule to be developed for each item by the comptroller after consulting with the appropriate agency secretary, the secretary of administration and finance and the state treasurer. The schedule for each appropriation shall provide for transfers in increments considered appropriate to meet the cash flow needs of each fund; provided, however, that the sum of the incremental transfers shall equal the sum set forth in this section and all transfers under the schedule shall be completed not later than June 30, 2026. Not later than 7 days after the schedules receive final approval by the comptroller, they shall be reported to the house and senate committees on ways and means.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.

Office of the Secretary.

1595-1075	For an operating transfer to the Workforce Competitiveness Trust Fund established in section 2WWW of chapter 29 of the General Laws	$10,000,000
	Gaming Economic Development Fund	100%

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE.

1599-6152	For an operating transfer to the State Retiree Benefits Trust Fund established in section 24 of chapter 32A of the General Laws	$450,000,000
1595-6153	For an operating transfer to the Communications Access Trust Fund established pursuant to section 2XXXXX of chapter 29 of the General Laws; provided, that not later than March 10, 2026, the executive office for administration and finance shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to the: (i) distribution of the funds appropriated in this item to sheriffs' offices and the department of correction; (ii) barriers to	

providing calls free of charge to incarcerated individuals; and (iii) current number of calls at sheriffs' offices and the department of correction $10,000,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS.

1595-6232 For the Clean Energy Investment Fund, established in section 15 of chapter 23J of the General Laws; provided, that funds shall be appropriated for environmental sector workforce development and investments to support emissions reductions in the energy, transportation and buildings sectors, as directed by the Massachusetts clean energy and climate plan for 2050; and provided further, that not later than April 3, 2026, the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include the: (i) number of workforce development programs receiving funds in fiscal year 2026; (ii) number of individuals served by said programs; and (iii) status of projected progress towards the goals outlined in the Massachusetts clean energy and climate plan for 2050 ..... $25,000,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

Office of the Secretary.

1595-1068 For an operating transfer to the MassHealth provider payment account under the Medical Assistance Trust Fund established in section 2QQQ of chapter 29 of the General Laws; provided, that these funds shall be expended for: (i) services provided; (ii) public hospital transformation and incentive initiative payments; (iii) health equity incentive payments; or (iv) Medicaid care organization payments under 42 CFR 438.6(c); provided further, that all payments from the Medical Assistance Trust Fund shall be: (A) subject to the availability of federal financial participation; (B) made only under federally-approved payment methods; (C) consistent with federal funding requirements and all federal payment limits as determined by the secretary of health and human services; and (D) subject to the terms and conditions of an agreement with the executive office of health and human services; provided further, that the secretary of health and human services shall notify the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on health care financing of increases or decreases in any payments made within the term of the current 1115 waiver or other state plan amendments within 15 days of said payments; and provided further, that the secretary of health and human services shall utilize funds from the Medical Assistance Trust Fund to make payments of up to $493,900,000 to the Cambridge public health commission or to Medicaid care organizations for payment to the Cambridge public health commission if the Cambridge public health commission, in anticipation of receiving such payments, first voluntarily transfers an amount equal to the non-federal share of such payments to the Medical Assistance Trust Fund using a federally-permissible source of funds $547,582,400

1595-1069 For an operating transfer to the Health Information Technology Trust Fund established in section 35RR of chapter 10 of the General Laws; provided, that these funds shall be expended for operating costs for

the statewide health information exchange and integrated eligibility system; and provided further, that not later than December 16, 2025, the executive office of health and human services shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on health care financing detailing utilization in fiscal year 2025 of the Health Information Technology Trust Fund established in said section 35RR of said chapter 10, including the: (i) total dollar amount billed to the Health Information Technology Trust Fund; (ii) total dollar amount of federal reimbursement; (iii) initiatives and programs paid for out of the Health Information Technology Trust Fund; and (iv) amount disbursed from the Health Information Technology Trust Fund to each program and initiative outlined in the enabling statute $14,177,900

1595-1071 For an operating transfer to the Community Behavioral Health Promotion and Prevention Trust Fund established in section 35GGG of chapter 10 of the General Laws, inserted by section 7 of chapter 208 of the acts of 2018..... $200,000

Department of Public Health.

1595-4506 For an operating transfer to the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Trust Fund established in section 35MMM of chapter 10 of the General Laws $2,700,000

TRANSPORTATION.

Massachusetts Department of Transportation.

1595-6368 For an operating transfer to the Massachusetts Transportation Trust Fund established under section 4 of chapter 6C of the General Laws; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the registrar of motor vehicles shall provide quarterly reports to the commissioner of correction detailing the number of identity cards processed pursuant to the enhanced state identity card program for citizens released from the department of correction facilities; provided further, that the report shall also provide a summary and detail of the registry of motor vehicles fees associated with the transactions and that, upon receipt and verification by the department of correction of the accuracy of the transactions reported in each quarterly report, the commissioner of correction shall submit a request to the comptroller for an operating transfer of the full amount of said registry of motor vehicles fees to the Commonwealth Transportation Fund established by section 2ZZZ of chapter 29 of the General Laws; and provided further, that the transfer request shall include the department of correction account from which the transfer shall be made and the quarterly report from the registrar of motor vehicles as supporting documentation $577,620,163

Commonwealth Transportation Fund 73.17%
Education and Transportation Fund 26.83%

1595-6369 For an operating transfer to the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority under clause (1) of subsection (d) of section 2ZZZ of chapter 29 of the General Laws; provided, that the Massachusetts Bay

Transportation Authority shall submit quarterly reports to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include an accounting of the funds provided for in this item including: (i) the amount of money received under this transfer; (ii) the amount of money expended under this transfer; (iii) a description of items and services for which funds have been expended; and (iv) the status of ongoing and planned capital projects under the purview of the authority; provided further, that the authority shall submit these reports on a quarterly basis not later than 30 days following the last day of the quarter; provided further, that not less than $40,000,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority academy program to establish a pipeline for a skilled workforce; provided further, that not less than $10,000,000 shall be expended for a program to support grants for operational assistance to ferry services; provided further, that funds included in this item may be used for an income eligible, reduced fares program under the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority for riders of all modes with low-incomes; and provided further, that funds included in this item over the total amount of funds made available in this item in the prior fiscal year shall not be used for capital spending $687,000,000

Commonwealth Transportation Fund 100%

1595-6370 For an operating transfer to the regional transit authorities organized under chapter 161B of the General Laws, or any prior laws, under clause (2) of subsection (d) of section 2ZZZ of chapter 29 of the General Laws; provided, that each regional transit authority receiving assistance under this item shall deliver not later than January 6, 2026, a copy of its most recent audited financial statement to the chief financial officer of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, the secretary of administration and finance, the treasurer of the commonwealth, the comptroller of the commonwealth, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on transportation $204,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund 53.92%
Commonwealth Transportation Fund 46.08%

1595-6379 For the operation of the motor vehicle insurance merit rating board, including the rent, related parking and utility expenses of the board; provided, that the amount appropriated in this item and the associated fringe benefit costs shall be borne by insurance companies doing motor vehicle insurance business within the commonwealth under section 57A of chapter 6C of the General Laws; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, no safe driver insurance plan shall require the payment of an unsafe driver point surcharge for the first offense for a non-criminal motor vehicle traffic violation as described in chapter 90C of the General Laws $11,671,807

Commonwealth Transportation Fund 100%

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF EDUCATION.

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

1595-0035 For an operating transfer to the Twenty-First Century Education Trust Fund established in section 35NNN of chapter 10 of the General Laws; provided, that funds may be used for effective and sustainable improvement initiatives in public schools designated as in need of assistance pursuant to the school accountability system established by the board of elementary and secondary education, and for the purpose of addressing persistent disparities in achievement among student subgroups, improving educational opportunities for all students, sharing best practices for improving classroom learning and supporting efficiencies within and across school districts $1,000,000

1595-0115 For the Civics Project Trust Fund established in section 2CCCCC of chapter 29 of the General Laws to promote civics education $2,500,000

Department of Higher Education.

1595-7066 For the support of the Massachusetts Science, Technology Engineering, and Mathematics Grant Fund, referred to as the Pipeline Fund, established in section 2MMM of chapter 29 of the General Laws $1,000,000

SECTION 2F.

SECTION 2F. The sums set forth in this section are hereby appropriated from the Education and Transportation Fund for the purposes and subject to the conditions specified in this section and subject to the laws regulating the disbursement of public funds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026. All appropriations in this section shall not be subject to section 5D of chapter 29 of the General Laws

EDUCATION.

Department of Early Education and Care.

1596-2410 For operational grants to child care providers; provided, that for fiscal year 2026 funds shall be distributed in accordance with the formula established in section 20 of chapter 15D of the General Laws; provided further, that funds from this line item shall be expended in coordination with funds from line item 3000-1045; provided further, that the department shall collect data from participating programs including, but not limited to: (i) the number of enrolled children; (ii) the number of educators employed; (iii) efforts to recruit and retain employees; (iv) any available demographic data of the families served by participating providers; (v) to the extent feasible, the income level of the families served by participating providers; (vi) the amount awarded to each provider; and (vii) the amount of operational grants spent by provider, delineated by category of spending including, but not limited to: (A) salaries; (B) other compensation; (C) workforce training; and (D) facilities improvements; provided further, that programs shall respond to all data collection requests and surveys from the department to be eligible for said stabilization grants; provided further, that funds may be expended for departmental technical assistance related to the administration and distribution of said grants; and provided further, that administrative costs for the program shall not exceed 2 per cent of the total appropriation for said program $360,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund 100%

1596-2411 For efforts to reduce the waitlist for income-eligible early education and care programs; provided, that funds may be expended for teen parents and homeless families at risk of becoming eligible for transitional aid to families with dependent children; provided further, that funds may be expended for informal early education and care benefits for families meeting income-eligibility criteria; provided further, that not less than $15,000,000 shall be expended for the department's fiscal year 2026 procurement of contracted early education slots; provided further, that the early education and care services funded from this item shall be distributed in a geographically equitable manner that provides fair and adequate access to early education and care for all eligible individuals; and provided further, that not later than April 1, 2026, the department of early education and care shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the number of families removed from the waitlist through this item..... $15,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund 100%

1596-2452 For efforts to maintain capacity and the fiscal year 2025 rate structure for the department of early education and care's child care financial assistance programs; provided, that the commissioner of early education and care may transfer funds between this item and items 3000-1000, 3000-3060 and 3000-4060..... $53,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund 100%

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

1596-2422 For the reimbursement of school districts and participating schools for the costs of providing universal free school meals pursuant to section 1C of chapter 69 of the General Laws; provided, that districts receiving funds under this item shall not implement a meal charge for students; provided further, that participating districts that are eligible for reimbursement under the community eligibility provision or provision 2 of the National School Lunch Program or an applicable provision of the National Child Nutrition Act, Public Law 111-296, shall adopt said provision to maximize access to federal funds; and provided further, that not later than January 15, 2026, the department of elementary and secondary education shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include: (i) data on any change in utilization of school lunch services in districts receiving funding under this item, delineated by free, reduced and full- pay students as defined by the National School Lunch Program; (ii) the distribution of funding paid through this item and, for the purpose of universal free school meals in fiscal year 2024, item 7053-1925 delineated by school district; and (iii) options to reform, modify or extend the program in a manner that promotes equity, maximizes federal funds and improves predictability and sustainability of funding ... $190,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund 100%

1596-2424 For a competitive grant program administered by the department of elementary and secondary education, in consultation with

Massachusetts clean energy center, for K-12 public schools or districts for projects to install or maintain clean energy infrastructure pursuant to section 37 of chapter 69 of the General Laws..... $20,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund 100%

1596-2438 For the cost of providing an additional $104 per pupil in minimum aid funding to qualifying cities, towns, regional school districts, counties maintaining agricultural schools, independent vocational schools and independent agricultural and technical schools to be distributed under chapters 70 and 76 of the General Laws and section 3..... $240,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund 100%

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF EDUCATION.

1596-2437 For an early literacy initiative directed by the secretary of education, in consultation and coordination with the commissioner of elementary and secondary education and the commissioner of early education and care, to be known as Literacy Launch: Reading Success from Age 3 through Grade 3; provided, that said program shall provide grants, programming and materials to increase the number of public schools and licensed early education and care providers in the commonwealth providing evidence-based literacy instruction to students in pre-kindergarten through grade 3; provided further, that grants may support activities including, but not limited to: (i) the adoption and implementation of high quality curricular materials by public schools and districts and early education program providers; (ii) the provision of technical support, coaching and professional development to maximize educator impact and improve student learning of literacy skills for students in pre-kindergarten through grade 3, including the support of required staff for the development and implementation of the program by the granting agencies; (iii) an acceleration of the program review of educator preparation programs approved by the department of elementary and secondary education; (iv) the coordination and alignment of assessment and screening, curriculum and professional development across the departments of early education and care and elementary and secondary education; and (v) other professional learning initiatives and supports related to literacy assessment, measurement and instruction for specific groups of learners or specific evidence-based materials; provided further, that grant recipients may include, but not be limited to: (A) public schools and districts and licensed early education and care programs providing pre-kindergarten instructional services; (B) the University of Massachusetts; (C) state universities and community colleges; and (D) other educator preparation programs; provided further, that not later than November 27, 2026, the secretary of education shall provide a summary of the current and planned allocations of funds for each program funded through this item to the joint committee on education and the house and senate committees on ways and means and that such report shall include: (1) a list of grant recipients; (2) grants awarded delineated by recipient; (3) any matching funds or services contributed by grant recipients or program participants; (4) the purposes of the grants; and (5) a detailed breakdown of the purposes and amounts of administrative costs charged to this item; and provided

further, that any unexpended funds in this item shall not revert but shall be made available until August 30, 2027 ..... $15,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund 100%

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

1596-2451 For reimbursements to regional school districts for the transportation of pupils and to cities, towns, regional vocational or county agricultural school districts, independent vocational schools and collaboratives for certain expenditures for transportation of nonresident pupils to approved vocational-technical programs of any regional or county agricultural school district, city, town, independent school or collaborative under section 8A of chapter 74 of the General Laws; provided, that if the amount appropriated in this item is insufficient to fully fund said section 8A of said chapter 74, initial reimbursements made by the department of elementary and secondary education may be prorated by the department to all eligible cities, towns, regional vocational or county agricultural school districts, independent vocational schools and collaboratives; provided further, that funds from this item for reimbursements to regional school districts for the transportation of pupils shall be in addition to funds appropriated in item 7035-0006; and provided further, that the commissioner of elementary and secondary education may transfer funds from this item to said item 7035-0006 ..... $50,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund 100%

Department of Higher Education.

1596-2414 For a scholarship program to provide financial assistance to Massachusetts students enrolled in and pursuing a program of higher education in any public institutions of higher education in the commonwealth; provided, that funds from this item may be expended on the administration of the scholarship program; and provided further, that the commissioner of higher education, in coordination with the Massachusetts state scholarship office, shall adopt regulations governing the eligibility and the awarding of financial assistance under this item $80,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund 100%

1596-2418 For MassReconnect, a scholarship program to provide financial assistance to students from the commonwealth who: (i) are enrolled in and pursuing a program of higher education at a public community college in the commonwealth; (ii) are not less than 25 years of age as of the first day of classes; (iii) have not previously earned a college degree; and (iv) are enrolled in at least 6 credits; provided, that the funds shall be used to cover any remaining tuition and fees due and the cost of books and supplies for any eligible student after all other sources of federal and state grant aid have been exhausted; provided further, that funds from this item may be expended on student support services, administration and marketing of said scholarship program; provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months; provided further, that the commissioner of higher education, in consultation with the executive office of education

and the Massachusetts Association of Community Colleges and in coordination with the Massachusetts state scholarship office, shall adopt guidelines governing the eligibility for and the awarding of financial assistance under this item; provided further, that not later than January 30, 2026, the department of higher education, in consultation with the Massachusetts Association of Community Colleges, shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the metrics and benchmarks being used to measure program success including, but not limited to: (A) enrollment; (B) retention; (C) barriers to student participation; and (D) demographic data related to program participants; and provided further, that not later than May 29, 2026, the department of higher education shall submit information to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the number of students participating in MassReconnect at each community college..... $24,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund 100%

1596-2423 For a scholarship program to provide financial assistance to students in the commonwealth who are enrolled in and pursuing a program of higher education at a public institution of higher education, as defined in section 5 of chapter 15A of the General Laws, for an in-demand profession as defined by the executive office of labor and workforce development's study on labor market conditions pursuant to section 16A of said chapter 15A; provided, that funds from this item may be expended on the administration of said scholarship program; provided further, that the board of higher education, in coordination with the Massachusetts state scholarship office, shall adopt guidelines governing the eligibility for and the awarding of financial assistance; provided further, that not less than $1,500,000 shall be expended for a scholarship program to provide financial assistance to students from the commonwealth who: (i) are enrolled in and pursuing either an associate degree or certificate program at a municipal college; (ii) are age 25 or older as of the first day of classes; (iii) have not previously earned a college degree; and (iv) are enrolled in at least 6 credits; provided, that the funds shall be used to cover any remaining tuition and fees, costs of books and supplies for any eligible student after all other sources of federal and state grant aid have been exhausted; provided further, that funds from this item may be expended on student support services, administration and the marketing of said scholarship program; and provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months $10,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund 100%

1596-2439 For state university cohort counseling to ensure student success (SUCCESS) grants to state universities to provide wraparound supports and services to improve outcomes for their most vulnerable populations including, but not limited to, low-income, first-generation, minority and disabled students and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning students; provided, that funds shall be disbursed based on a formula and criteria developed by the department of higher education; provided further, that eligible wraparound support activities shall include, but not be limited to, peer mentors, academic skills workshops and targeted academic, career and scholarship advising; provided further, that appropriated funds

may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months; provided further, that all funds distributed may be spent solely on personnel costs at the discretion of the universities; and provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the department shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the progress made on implementing and funding this program, including any regulations, guidelines or criteria used to distribute the funds and on the final distribution of funds to campuses $14,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund 100%

1596-2501 For a free community college program for students who: (i) are enrolled in and pursuing a program of higher education at a public community college in Massachusetts; (ii) have completed a free application for federal student aid or an equivalent application for state-funded financial assistance; (iii) have not earned a prior baccalaureate degree, or the equivalent; and (vi) are enrolled in at least 6 credits; provided, that funds shall be expended to cover any remaining tuition and fees due and an allowance for the cost of books, supplies and other expenses for any eligible student after all other sources of federal and state grant aid have been exhausted; provided further, that students whose household income is at or below 125 per cent of the state median income shall be granted an allowance of up to $1,200 per academic year for books, supplies and other expenses for attending a community college program; provided, however, that said allowance shall not preclude students from receiving assistance through MassGrant or MassGrant Plus, subject to the regulations of said programs; provided further, that the commissioner of higher education, in consultation with the executive office of education and the Massachusetts Association of Community Colleges, and in coordination with the Massachusetts state scholarship office, shall adopt guidelines governing eligibility for and the awarding of financial assistance under this item; provided further, that funds from this item may be expended on student support services, administration and marketing of said scholarship program; provided further, that students aged 25 or older may be referred to as MassReconnect students; provided further, that funds from this item may be expended to create awareness and conduct public outreach related to MassReconnect; provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months; provided further, that tuition and fees at public community colleges shall not increase more than the lesser of: (A) the ratio of the value of the implicit price deflator for state and local government purchases in the third quarter of the prior fiscal year to its value in the third quarter of the fiscal year 2 years prior; and (B) 1.045; provided further, that the department, after consultation with the Massachusetts Association of Community Colleges, shall analyze the faculty and staff capacity to meet the needs of the program established in this item, to ensure a sufficient workforce; provided further, that not later than February 1, 2026, the department of higher education, in consultation with the Massachusetts Association of Community Colleges, shall submit a report to the joint committee on higher education and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing program uptake, funding distribution and the metrics and benchmarks being used to measure program success including, but not limited to: (1) enrollment; (2) retention; (3) barriers to student participation; and (4) demographic data related to program

participants; and provided further, that not later than May 31, 2026, the department of higher education shall submit information to the executive office for administration and finance, the board of higher education, the joint committee on higher education and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the number of students participating in the program at each community college $94,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund 100%

1596-2601 For additional operational funding for state universities; provided, that funds from this item shall be distributed in accordance with the funding formula in line item 7066-1400 of section 2 of chapter 165 of the acts of 2014; provided further, that funding from this item shall be contingent upon approval of a funding formula that incorporates equity by the board of higher education; provided further, that not later than March 3, 2026, the state universities shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the total balance in all budgeted and off-budget funds; provided further, that funds from this item may be transferred to item 7066-1400; and provided further, that the allocation of funds shall be approved by the board of higher education $10,500,000

Education and Transportation Fund 100%

1596-2602 For funding to community college campuses; provided, that funds shall be expended for the continued implementation of community college reform, for continued initiatives to strengthen the connections between the colleges, local businesses and regional workforce investment boards and to improve workforce training at the colleges; provided further, that funding shall be allocated among the campuses using a formula that incorporates equity, developed by the commissioner of higher education in consultation with the secretaries of education, labor and workforce development and economic development; provided further, that funds from this item may be transferred to item 7100-4000; and provided further, that the allocation of funds shall be approved by the board of higher education $9,500,000

Education and Transportation Fund 100%

SECTION 3 LOCAL AID DISTRIBUTIONS.

SECTION 3. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026 the distribution of unrestricted general government aid to cities and towns of the balance of the State Lottery and Gaming Fund, as paid from the General Fund in accordance with clause (c) of the second paragraph of section 35 of chapter 10 of the General Laws, and additional funds from the General Fund and the Gaming Local Aid Fund, shall be $1,308,713,668 and shall be apportioned to cities and towns in accordance with this section.

For fiscal year 2026 the total amounts to be distributed and paid to each city, town and regional school district from item 7061-0008 of section 2 and item 1596-2438 of section 2F, shall be as set forth in the following lists. If there is conflict between the language of this section and the distribution listed below, the distribution below shall control. The specified amounts distributed from said item 7061-0008 of said section 2 and said item 1596-2438 of said section 2F shall be deemed in full satisfaction of the amounts due under chapter 70 of the General Laws.

For fiscal year 2026, a district's school aid shall be calculated according to the provisions of said chapter 70. The foundation budget category of "low-income enrollment" for the purpose of calculating foundation enrollment shall be determined by financial eligibility for certain federal programs, as defined by the provisions of section 2 of said chapter 70, and including a number of students identified and approved as low income through the supplemental claiming system established and posted by the department for that purpose, as well as students identified and approved as homeless for purposes of calculating the McKinney-Vento homelessness grant program administered by the department, consistent with the conditions provided for in said section 2. The assumed special education enrollment percentage for vocational school students shall be set at 4.90 per cent and the assumed special education enrollment percentage for non-vocational school students shall be set at 3.90 per cent.

The per-pupil rates for the employee benefits and fixed charges allotments shall be adjusted by the foundation employee benefits inflation rate and the per-pupil rates for all other foundation allotments shall be adjusted by the foundation inflation index. Foundation increments shall be the additional resources provided for the education of students designated as English learners or low-income; provided, however, that for low-income students the amount of the foundation increment shall be determined by the low-income group into which each district is assigned. Foundation budget rates for employee benefits and fixed charges, guidance and psychological services, special education out-of-district tuition, English learners and low-income students shall be increased by three-sixths of the gap between the rates used in fiscal year 2021 and the rates established in tables 1 and 2 of section 3 of said chapter 70, consistent with adjustments prescribed in said section 3 and set at the rates identified in the table below. Required local contributions shall be calculated pursuant to said chapter 70; provided, that municipal revenue growth factors shall be calculated in a manner consistent with calculations made in fiscal year 2025; provided further, that the total statewide target local contribution shall be 59 percent and the effort reduction percentage shall be 100 percent; and provided further that the minimum aid per pupil dollar amount shall be $150.

Chapter 70 aid for fiscal year 2026 shall be the greater of: (i) foundation aid, or (ii) the sum of base aid and minimum aid. No non-operating district shall receive chapter 70 aid in an amount greater than the district's foundation budget.

The department of elementary and secondary education shall not consider health care costs for retired teachers to be part of net school spending for any district in which such costs were not considered part of net school spending in fiscal year 1994 and for any district that has not accepted the provisions of section 260 of chapter 165 of the acts of 2014; provided, however, that any district for whom such costs are not so considered shall have included as part of net school spending an amount equal to the increase in the foundation budget for the district associated with health care costs of retired teachers.

No payments to cities, towns or counties maintaining an agricultural school under this section shall be made after November 30 of the fiscal year until the commissioner of revenue certifies acceptance of the prior fiscal year's annual financial reports submitted under section 43 of chapter 44 of the General Laws. Advance payments shall be made for some or all of periodic local reimbursement or assistance programs to any city, town, regional school district or independent agricultural school that demonstrates an

emergency cash shortfall, as certified by the commissioner of revenue and approved by the secretary of administration and finance, under guidelines established by the secretary.

Base Rates

	Administration	Instructional Leadership	Classroom & Specialist Teachers	Other Teaching Services	Professional Development	Instructional Materials, Equipment & Technology	Guidance & Psychological Services	Pupil Services	Operations & Maintenance	Employee Benefits/Fixed Charges	Special Education Tuition	Total, All Categories
Pre-school	228.66	412.96	1,893.58	485.65	74.89	274.06	206.70	54.80	525.83	909.02	0.00	5,066.15
Kindergarten half-day	228.66	412.96	1,893.58	485.65	74.89	274.06	206.70	54.80	525.83	909.02	0.00	5,066.15
Kindergarten full-day	457.31	825.94	3,787.16	971.33	149.86	548.15	413.42	109.64	1,051.64	1,818.01	0.00	10,132.46
Elementary	457.31	825.94	3,787.11	971.33	149.88	548.15	413.42	164.43	1,051.64	1,818.02	0.00	10,187.23
Junior/Middle	457.31	825.94	3,332.67	699.22	162.46	548.15	428.63	268.61	1,140.11	1,952.67	0.00	9,815.77
High School	457.31	825.94	4,900.96	582.09	157.53	877.03	459.83	619.39	1,105.46	1,728.92	0.00	11,714.46
Vocational	457.31	825.94	8,331.69	582.09	260.44	1,534.79	459.83	619.39	2,068.92	2,213.89	0.00	17,354.29

Special Education & Incremental Rates

	Administration	Instructional Leadership	Classroom & Specialist Teachers	Other Teaching Services	Professional Development	Instructional Materials, Equipment & Technology	Guidance & Psychological Services	Pupil Services	Operations & Maintenance	Employee Benefits/Fixed Charges	Special Education Tuition	Total, All Categories
Pre-school	228.66	412.96	1,893.58	485.65	74.89	274.06	206.70	54.80	525.83	909.02	0.00	5,066.15
Kindergarten half-day	228.66	412.96	1,893.58	485.65	74.89	274.06	206.70	54.80	525.83	909.02	0.00	5,066.15
Kindergarten full-day	457.31	825.94	3,787.16	971.33	149.86	548.15	413.42	109.64	1,051.64	1,818.01	0.00	10,132.46
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Vocational	457.31	825.94	8,331.69	582.09	260.44	1,534.79	459.83	619.39	2,068.92	2,213.89	0.00	17,354.29
Special Education in-district	3,156.17	0.00	10,414.58	9,723.94	502.39	438.50	0.00	0.00	3,525.59	4,353.17	0.00	32,114.34
Special Education tuitioned-out	3,900.17	0.00	0.00	59.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	37,030.05	40,989.80
English learners PK-5	115.25	201.68	1,411.71	201.68	57.61	144.04	86.43	28.82	345.72	348.80	0.00	2,941.74
English learners 6-8	123.15	215.48	1,508.36	215.48	61.56	153.91	92.36	30.79	369.39	372.67	0.00	3,143.15
English learners high school/voc	140.07	245.13	1,715.83	245.13	70.03	175.08	105.05	35.02	420.21	423.94	0.00	3,575.49
Low-income group 1 (0-5.99%)	56.36	267.04	2,606.95	0.00	126.48	19.39	105.56	548.54	0.00	464.11	0.00	4,194.43
Low-income group 2 (6-11.99%)	59.38	281.33	2,746.29	0.00	133.24	20.43	111.20	577.86	0.00	488.93	0.00	4,418.66
Low-income group 3 (12-17.99%)	62.39	295.61	2,885.64	0.00	140.00	21.47	116.85	607.18	0.00	513.73	0.00	4,642.87
Low-income group 4 (18-23.99%)	65.40	309.87	3,024.98	0.00	146.76	22.49	122.49	636.50	0.00	538.55	0.00	4,867.04
Low-income group 5 (24-29.99%)	68.41	324.15	3,164.32	0.00	153.53	23.53	128.14	665.81	0.00	563.35	0.00	5,091.24
Low-income group 6 (30-35.99%)	76.09	360.53	3,519.46	0.00	170.74	26.18	142.51	740.54	0.00	626.58	0.00	5,662.63
Low-income group 7 (36-41.99%)	83.32	394.78	3,853.90	0.00	186.97	28.66	156.06	810.92	0.00	686.11	0.00	6,200.72
Low-income group 8 (42-47.99%)	90.56	429.05	4,188.34	0.00	203.20	31.16	169.60	881.28	0.00	745.65	0.00	6,738.84
Low-income group 9 (48-53.99%)	97.79	463.31	4,522.79	0.00	219.42	33.63	183.14	951.66	0.00	805.19	0.00	7,276.93
Low-income group 10 (54-69.99%)	105.01	497.57	4,857.23	0.00	235.65	36.12	196.68	1,022.02	0.00	864.75	0.00	7,815.03
Low-income group 11 (70-79.99%)	116.63	552.58	5,394.34	0.00	261.70	40.12	218.44	1,135.04	0.00	960.36	0.00	8,679.21
Low-income group 12 (80%+)	128.24	607.61	5,931.45	0.00	287.76	44.11	240.18	1,248.06	0.00	1,055.97	0.00	9,543.38

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ABINGTON	$14,812,278	$2,422,223
ACTON	$0	$1,722,409
ACUSHNET	$7,461,972	$1,866,952
ADAMS	$0	$2,882,694
AGAWAM	$27,210,280	$4,536,201
ALFORD	$0	$17,281
AMESBURY	$9,957,529	$2,395,443
AMHERST	$6,538,659	$10,366,349
ANDOVER	$15,338,760	$2,200,200
AQUINNAH	$0	$2,878
ARLINGTON	$20,246,693	$9,341,579
ASHBURNHAM	$0	$979,012
ASHBY	$0	$539,155
ASHFIELD	$93,683	$228,596
ASHLAND	$11,996,178	$1,665,126
ATHOL	$0	$3,259,884
ATTLEBORO	$61,796,457	$7,024,558
AUBURN	$15,740,489	$2,108,747
AVON	$4,399,731	$853,424
AYER	$0	$932,142
BARNSTABLE	$26,088,377	$2,590,019
BARRE	$0	$1,107,412
BECKET	$76,923	$111,821
BEDFORD	$6,667,909	$1,413,464
BELCHERTOWN	$14,735,480	$2,095,079
BELLINGHAM	$10,531,532	$2,089,340
BELMONT	$12,935,419	$2,780,224
BERKLEY	$4,318,848	$749,194
BERLIN	$0	$248,249
BERNARDSTON	$0	$358,127
BEVERLY	$15,674,495	$7,190,630
BILLERICA	$21,331,984	$7,170,082
BLACKSTONE	$234,189	$1,685,374
BLANDFORD	$77,586	$156,348
BOLTON	$3,474	$243,110
BOSTON	$245,309,561	$233,284,129
BOURNE	$5,892,775	$1,805,020
BOXBOROUGH	$32,909	$310,600
BOXFORD	$2,044,923	$598,572
BOYLSTON	$113,472	$421,767
BRAINTREE	$21,959,550	$7,045,993

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BREWSTER	$1,484,085	$486,179
BRIDGEWATER	$190,196	$4,484,718
BRIMFIELD	$1,791,067	$480,068
BROCKTON	$282,074,317	$25,781,650
BROOKFIELD	$1,968,286	$607,959
BROOKLINE	$17,784,893	$7,817,560
BUCKLAND	$0	$377,027
BURLINGTON	$10,503,556	$3,224,636
CAMBRIDGE	$22,664,367	$26,452,452
CANTON	$9,502,600	$2,640,502
CARLISLE	$1,533,774	$270,113
CARVER	$10,839,443	$1,798,774
CHARLEMONT	$106,868	$215,233
CHARLTON	$0	$1,783,908
CHATHAM	$0	$185,311
CHELMSFORD	$15,450,424	$6,249,641
CHELSEA	$130,754,505	$10,112,804
CHESHIRE	$16,351	$756,413
CHESTER	$79,282	$221,683
CHESTERFIELD	$133,594	$170,001
CHICOPEE	$100,241,158	$14,178,996
CHILMARK	$0	$4,619
CLARKSBURG	$2,204,261	$447,931
CLINTON	$21,848,135	$2,898,564
COHASSET	$3,333,035	$633,498
COLRAIN	$0	$355,370
CONCORD	$4,524,105	$1,428,463
CONWAY	$656,966	$220,060
CUMMINGTON	$59,811	$102,719
DALTON	$261,687	$1,400,933
DANVERS	$10,137,350	$3,506,991
DARTMOUTH	$11,271,317	$3,103,975
DEDHAM	$10,145,563	$4,026,590
DEERFIELD	$1,225,219	$591,405
DENNIS	$0	$670,586
DEVENS	$308,558	$0
DIGHTON	$8,253	$952,104
DOUGLAS	$9,195,163	$898,577
DOVER	$1,154,911	$236,860
DRACUT	$28,136,689	$4,314,193
DUDLEY	$10,983	$2,200,007

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DUNSTABLE	$0	$302,852
DUXBURY	$7,351,890	$1,091,453
EAST BRIDGEWATER	$13,370,869	$1,843,097
EAST BROOKFIELD	$221,080	$357,105
EAST LONGMEADOW	$15,669,936	$1,782,313
EASTHAM	$556,679	$183,447
EASTHAMPTON	$9,063,542	$3,460,974
EASTON	$11,511,787	$2,696,435
EDGARTOWN	$1,269,737	$82,020
EGREMONT	$0	$77,690
ERVING	$603,466	$82,759
ESSEX	$0	$301,474
EVERETT	$126,865,323	$8,506,767
FAIRHAVEN	$10,036,083	$2,776,605
FALL RIVER	$230,788,276	$29,342,937
FALMOUTH	$10,042,889	$1,707,078
FITCHBURG	$86,211,388	$10,507,955
FLORIDA	$572,487	$61,287
FOXBOROUGH	$10,082,632	$1,834,061
FRAMINGHAM	$92,499,182	$12,250,410
FRANKLIN	$30,460,643	$3,042,531
FREETOWN	$16,860	$1,169,221
GARDNER	$32,375,957	$5,217,779
GEORGETOWN	$6,011,432	$882,077
GILL	$0	$299,503
GLOUCESTER	$12,161,741	$4,917,750
GOSHEN	$96,381	$98,506
GOSNOLD	$0	$2,582
GRAFTON	$13,539,728	$1,925,260
GRANBY	$4,929,700	$1,087,201
GRANVILLE	$139,520	$197,416
GREAT BARRINGTON	$0	$934,473
GREENFIELD	$16,748,064	$3,909,199
GROTON	$0	$953,815
GROVELAND	$65,470	$896,304
HADLEY	$1,462,046	$558,840
HALIFAX	$3,649,183	$1,117,742
HAMILTON	$0	$827,276
HAMPDEN	$0	$847,150
HANCOCK	$463,156	$69,520
HANOVER	$8,088,931	$2,608,382

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HANSON	$40,519	$1,576,798
HARDWICK	$0	$573,235
HARVARD	$2,418,691	$1,823,506
HARWICH	$0	$530,386
HATFIELD	$969,096	$384,204
HAVERHILL	$94,219,635	$12,101,856
HAWLEY	$13,300	$53,286
HEATH	$0	$103,023
HINGHAM	$9,439,417	$1,943,280
HINSDALE	$104,923	$274,161
HOLBROOK	$12,796,989	$1,816,822
HOLDEN	$14,521	$2,354,185
HOLLAND	$1,052,634	$248,529
HOLLISTON	$9,575,140	$1,906,809
HOLYOKE	$106,764,120	$12,505,347
HOPEDALE	$6,443,660	$802,916
HOPKINTON	$10,864,019	$967,268
HUBBARDSTON	$0	$554,659
HUDSON	$13,867,740	$2,455,382
HULL	$4,180,024	$2,609,481
HUNTINGTON	$436,448	$424,366
IPSWICH	$4,538,746	$1,976,544
KINGSTON	$6,045,617	$1,181,872
LAKEVILLE	$101,399	$1,007,493
LANCASTER	$11,693	$1,177,001
LANESBOROUGH	$0	$424,745
LAWRENCE	$317,611,710	$24,176,627
LEE	$2,307,885	$766,840
LEICESTER	$11,448,367	$2,137,945
LENOX	$1,461,523	$656,319
LEOMINSTER	$72,723,191	$7,047,158
LEVERETT	$422,288	$219,786
LEXINGTON	$19,344,035	$1,887,088
LEYDEN	$0	$101,381
LINCOLN	$1,446,538	$838,262
LITTLETON	$5,259,250	$875,266
LONGMEADOW	$7,791,911	$1,720,307
LOWELL	$261,489,114	$31,014,530
LUDLOW	$15,020,153	$3,761,531
LUNENBURG	$9,229,410	$1,302,115
LYNN	$317,126,307	$27,568,674

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LYNNFIELD	$6,502,690	$1,280,605
MALDEN	$69,770,045	$15,448,168
MANCHESTER	$0	$273,829
MANSFIELD	$20,336,797	$2,746,586
MARBLEHEAD	$7,006,279	$1,402,160
MARION	$1,250,902	$277,832
MARLBOROUGH	$51,900,943	$6,702,846
MARSHFIELD	$16,133,973	$2,667,448
MASHPEE	$5,216,280	$453,025
MATTAPOISETT	$1,099,653	$499,053
MAYNARD	$5,983,800	$1,934,459
MEDFIELD	$7,255,778	$1,784,906
MEDFORD	$18,554,446	$14,935,807
MEDWAY	$11,364,627	$1,502,236
MELROSE	$13,285,756	$6,314,804
MENDON	$38,052	$503,189
MERRIMAC	$56,805	$1,036,018
METHUEN	$71,034,365	$6,694,913
MIDDLEBOROUGH	$23,101,805	$3,035,815
MIDDLEFIELD	$13,290	$65,458
MIDDLETON	$1,943,879	$673,723
MILFORD	$54,536,658	$3,760,956
MILLBURY	$9,261,393	$2,180,421
MILLIS	$5,267,116	$1,289,163
MILLVILLE	$73,662	$501,554
MILTON	$12,776,644	$3,956,453
MONROE	$141,132	$22,640
MONSON	$7,867,879	$1,607,343
MONTAGUE	$9,046	$1,764,674
MONTEREY	$0	$56,931
MONTGOMERY	$31,236	$106,858
MOUNT WASHINGTON	$13,818	$36,910
NAHANT	$622,905	$465,245
NANTUCKET	$4,838,877	$97,561
NATICK	$14,509,257	$4,692,127
NEEDHAM	$14,721,434	$2,149,525
NEW ASHFORD	$123,072	$25,010
NEW BEDFORD	$254,298,042	$28,325,395
NEW BRAINTREE	$0	$162,548
NEW MARLBOROUGH	$0	$72,112
NEW SALEM	$0	$127,757

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NEWBURY	$16,934	$637,692
NEWBURYPORT	$6,192,935	$3,140,406
NEWTON	$30,401,034	$7,236,119
NORFOLK	$3,873,979	$1,180,826
NORTH ADAMS	$16,707,282	$5,462,791
NORTH ANDOVER	$13,071,489	$2,523,446
NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH	$22,282,527	$3,542,528
NORTH BROOKFIELD	$5,046,966	$981,155
NORTH READING	$8,066,587	$2,186,313
NORTHAMPTON	$8,619,389	$5,412,027
NORTHBOROUGH	$4,644,408	$1,373,482
NORTHBRIDGE	$16,390,353	$2,599,152
NORTHFIELD	$0	$444,877
NORTON	$13,707,982	$2,559,197
NORWELL	$5,549,338	$1,319,976
NORWOOD	$18,520,131	$5,727,421
OAK BLUFFS	$2,053,849	$89,550
OAKHAM	$0	$236,239
ORANGE	$7,047,875	$1,989,947
ORLEANS	$492,134	$211,505
OTIS	$0	$44,787
OXFORD	$12,453,663	$2,531,931
PALMER	$12,171,699	$2,469,410
PAXTON	$0	$666,310
PEABODY	$38,124,801	$8,888,400
PELHAM	$292,599	$196,002
PEMBROKE	$14,632,674	$2,069,844
PEPPERELL	$0	$1,837,779
PERU	$91,030	$140,624
PETERSHAM	$714,028	$141,162
PHILLIPSTON	$0	$227,133
PITTSFIELD	$68,450,361	$10,631,253
PLAINFIELD	$53,056	$61,775
PLAINVILLE	$3,190,373	$934,152
PLYMOUTH	$30,162,897	$4,824,871
PLYMPTON	$1,145,742	$292,121
PRINCETON	$0	$364,573
PROVINCETOWN	$328,599	$170,319
QUINCY	$47,604,553	$23,511,939
RANDOLPH	$30,617,365	$6,400,276
RAYNHAM	$0	$1,400,176

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READING	$12,326,033	$3,991,857
REHOBOTH	$0	$1,283,550
REVERE	$107,214,598	$12,666,415
RICHMOND	$553,593	$133,218
ROCHESTER	$2,537,232	$522,976
ROCKLAND	$19,893,378	$3,255,129
ROCKPORT	$1,726,466	$538,795
ROWE	$156,995	$4,851
ROWLEY	$34,649	$664,959
ROYALSTON	$0	$221,371
RUSSELL	$255,579	$304,112
RUTLAND	$0	$1,139,058
SALEM	$31,038,303	$8,494,100
SALISBURY	$14,443	$778,011
SANDISFIELD	$0	$42,669
SANDWICH	$8,063,976	$1,387,851
SAUGUS	$16,170,602	$4,517,440
SAVOY	$531,339	$142,672
SCITUATE	$7,234,435	$2,477,060
SEEKONK	$8,276,778	$1,515,221
SHARON	$11,377,366	$1,723,696
SHEFFIELD	$15,185	$299,980
SHELBURNE	$0	$322,011
SHERBORN	$948,465	$266,716
SHIRLEY	$0	$1,615,525
SHREWSBURY	$22,487,010	$3,430,063
SHUTESBURY	$672,182	$208,810
SOMERSET	$11,039,877	$1,888,580
SOMERVILLE	$22,553,482	$31,024,812
SOUTH HADLEY	$11,136,899	$3,215,900
SOUTHAMPTON	$2,742,798	$784,590
SOUTHBOROUGH	$3,473,063	$538,561
SOUTHBRIDGE	$34,297,908	$4,331,911
SOUTHWICK	$220,059	$1,553,218
SPENCER	$34,709	$2,785,058
SPRINGFIELD	$545,839,651	$46,614,520
STERLING	$0	$853,664
STOCKBRIDGE	$0	$122,740
STONEHAM	$7,891,703	$4,576,264
STOUGHTON	$31,413,964	$3,943,077
STOW	$0	$518,357

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STURBRIDGE	$5,304,154	$953,975
SUDBURY	$6,192,244	$1,723,660
SUNDERLAND	$931,556	$622,367
SUTTON	$5,997,981	$961,202
SWAMPSCOTT	$5,783,630	$1,593,845
SWANSEA	$11,323,738	$2,312,692
TAUNTON	$105,442,130	$10,356,565
TEMPLETON	$11,493	$1,717,060
TEWKSBURY	$14,642,447	$3,427,114
TISBURY	$1,736,199	$120,741
TOLLAND	$0	$22,759
TOPSFIELD	$1,635,187	$755,262
TOWNSEND	$0	$1,618,274
TRURO	$470,826	$37,045
TYNGSBOROUGH	$8,055,660	$1,189,974
TYRINGHAM	$72,676	$15,634
UPTON	$39,979	$655,574
UXBRIDGE	$10,102,020.00	$1,694,280
WAKEFIELD	$9,402,623.00	$4,148,234
WALES	$1,203,868.00	$290,839
WALPOLE	$10,801,800.00	$3,138,201
WALTHAM	$26,380,926.00	$11,824,339
WARE	$14,743,900	$2,125,841
WAREHAM	$16,793,832	$2,436,234
WARREN	$11,789	$1,114,045
WARWICK	$392,384	$156,602
WASHINGTON	$37,233	$116,303
WATERTOWN	$8,513,866	$8,213,318
WAYLAND	$7,949,860	$1,113,045
WEBSTER	$21,361,821	$3,048,735
WELLESLEY	$10,942,336	$1,595,117
WELLFLEET	$327,563	$71,972
WENDELL	$0	$214,594
WENHAM	$0	$527,440
WEST BOYLSTON	$3,370,195	$981,077
WEST BRIDGEWATER	$7,102,423	$805,204
WEST BROOKFIELD	$328,719	$599,742
WEST NEWBURY	$13,151	$364,849
WEST SPRINGFIELD	$47,140,802	$4,413,074
WEST STOCKBRIDGE	$0	$119,724
WEST TISBURY	$0	$228,714

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WESTBOROUGH	$12,875,256.00	$1,426,899
WESTFIELD	$45,142,610.00	$7,751,621
WESTFORD	$18,982,269.00	$2,616,820
WESTHAMPTON	$514,848	$178,430
WESTMINSTER	$0	$806,066
WESTON	$4,962,659	$460,595
WESTPORT	$5,829,452	$1,498,073
WESTWOOD	$7,796,626	$898,330
WEYMOUTH	$30,801,983	$10,736,788
WHATELY	$351,983	$165,248
WHITMAN	$174,351	$2,981,659
WILBRAHAM	$0	$1,802,116
WILLIAMSBURG	$875,431	$372,791
WILLIAMSTOWN	$0	$1,175,614
WILMINGTON	$12,602,570	$3,061,838
WINCHENDON	$14,394,811	$2,071,546
WINCHESTER	$11,388,803	$1,821,859
WINDSOR	$28,984	$127,871
WINTHROP	$10,448,196	$5,190,981
WOBURN	$15,419,389	$7,371,734
WORCESTER	$411,779,259	$51,170,554
WORTHINGTON	$495,642	$154,668
WRENTHAM	$4,163,597	$1,148,005
YARMOUTH	$0	$1,554,670
TOTAL MUNICIPAL AID	**$6,428,152,376**	**$1,308,713,668**

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ACTON BOXBOROUGH	$17,200,971	$0
AMHERST PELHAM	$10,072,811	$0
ASHBURNHAM WESTMINSTER	$16,262,637	$0
ASSABET VALLEY	$11,083,668	$0
ATHOL ROYALSTON	$25,520,562	$0
AYER SHIRLEY	$8,993,333	$0
BERKSHIRE HILLS	$3,534,168	$0
BERLIN BOYLSTON	$3,149,921	$0
BLACKSTONE MILLVILLE	$12,080,008	$0
BLACKSTONE VALLEY	$9,595,822	$0
BLUE HILLS	$7,641,944	$0
BRIDGEWATER RAYNHAM	$34,209,990	$0
BRISTOL COUNTY	$5,240,855	$0
BRISTOL PLYMOUTH	$14,666,169	$0
CAPE COD	$3,579,390	$0
CENTRAL BERKSHIRE	$10,080,937	$0
CHESTERFIELD GOSHEN	$796,622	$0
CONCORD CARLISLE	$3,610,473	$0
DENNIS YARMOUTH	$13,956,285	$0
DIGHTON REHOBOTH	$14,005,428	$0
DOVER SHERBORN	$2,942,852	$0
DUDLEY CHARLTON	$25,823,037	$0
ESSEX NORTH SHORE	$8,666,224	$0
FARMINGTON RIVER	$768,194	$0
FRANKLIN COUNTY	$6,198,918	$0
FREETOWN LAKEVILLE	$12,333,339	$0
FRONTIER	$3,053,027	$0
GATEWAY	$6,340,830	$0
GILL MONTAGUE	$8,069,823	$0
GREATER FALL RIVER	$23,833,067	$0
GREATER LAWRENCE	$41,447,422	$0
GREATER LOWELL	$38,330,600	$0
GREATER NEW BEDFORD	$36,903,254	$0
GROTON DUNSTABLE	$11,831,303	$0
HAMILTON WENHAM	$4,436,892	$0
HAMPDEN WILBRAHAM	$13,043,530	$0
HAMPSHIRE	$3,510,417	$0
HAWLEMONT	$669,970	$0
HOOSAC VALLEY	$12,259,184	$0
KING PHILIP	$8,379,178	$0
LINCOLN SUDBURY	$4,225,817	$0

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MANCHESTER ESSEX	$3,514,666	$0
MARTHAS VINEYARD	$3,749,388	$0
MASCONOMET	$5,842,553	$0
MENDON UPTON	$13,252,594	$0
MINUTEMAN	$3,142,029	$0
MOHAWK TRAIL	$6,372,134	$0
MONOMOY	$4,624,715	$0
MONTACHUSETT	$18,762,805	$0
MOUNT GREYLOCK	$5,133,546	$0
NARRAGANSETT	$13,040,917	$0
NASHOBA	$10,547,898	$0
NASHOBA VALLEY	$5,001,664	$0
NAUSET	$4,000,729	$0
NEW SALEM WENDELL	$938,840	$0
NORFOLK COUNTY	$1,531,455	$0
NORTH MIDDLESEX	$21,623,879	$0
NORTHAMPTON SMITH	$963,771	$0
NORTHBORO SOUTHBORO	$3,673,616	$0
NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN	$16,193,577	$0
NORTHERN BERKSHIRE	$7,106,152	$0
OLD COLONY	$4,312,665	$0
OLD ROCHESTER	$3,710,721	$0
PATHFINDER	$7,831,316	$0
PENTUCKET	$14,101,990	$0
PIONEER	$4,151,899	$0
QUABBIN	$17,421,662	$0
QUABOAG	$10,600,015	$0
RALPH C MAHAR	$6,511,146	$0
SHAWSHEEN VALLEY	$6,995,373	$0
SILVER LAKE	$10,796,658	$0
SOMERSET BERKLEY	$7,204,101	$0
SOUTH MIDDLESEX	$9,913,729	$0
SOUTH SHORE	$5,963,097	$0
SOUTHEASTERN	$24,546,392	$0
SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE	$2,243,595	$0
SOUTHERN WORCESTER	$14,644,387	$0
SOUTHWICK TOLLAND GRANVILLE	$10,169,546	$0
SPENCER EAST BROOKFIELD	$14,306,180	$0
TANTASQUA	$11,688,349	$0
TRI COUNTY	$6,100,766	$0
TRITON	$9,645,085	$0

Regional School District	Chapter 70	Unrestricted General Government Aid
UPISLAND	$1,064,412	$0
UPPER CAPE COD	$4,720,060	$0
WACHUSETT	$37,561,713	$0
WHITMAN HANSON	$26,188,146	$0
WHITTIER	$13,953,373	$0
TOTAL REGIONAL AID	**$933,712,176**	**$0**
TOTAL MUNICIPAL AND REGIONAL AID	**$7,361,864,552**	**$1,308,713,668**

SECTION 4. Section 17 of chapter 6 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 6 and 7, the words ", the Massachusetts commission against discrimination".

SECTION 5. Said chapter 6 is hereby further amended by striking out section 56 and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 56. (a) There shall be a commission to be known as the Massachusetts commission against discrimination. The commission shall be an independent agency of the government of the commonwealth and shall not be subject to the control of any other department or agency.

(b)(1) The commission shall consist of 5 members, to be known as commissioners: 3 of whom shall be appointed by the governor; and 2 of whom shall be appointed by the attorney general. The governor shall designate 1 commissioner as chair, who shall devote their full-time duties to their office and the remaining 4 commissioners shall be per diem. Two commissioners shall reside in Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire, Franklin or Berkshire county and 3 commissioners shall reside in any of the remaining counties of the commonwealth.

(2) Each commissioner shall be appointed for a term of 3 years. Any commissioner chosen to fill a vacancy occurring other than by expiration of a term shall be appointed for the unexpired term of the commissioner whom they are to succeed. Three commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of conducting the business of the commission and a majority of commissioners present and voting shall be required for any action of the commission. The chair may call a meeting of the commission and may call for a vote on any matter designated for a vote on the notice of the meeting. A vacancy shall not impair the right of the remaining commissioners to exercise all the powers of the commission. A commissioner may be removed by their appointing authority for inefficiency, neglect of duty, misconduct or malfeasance in office, after being given a written statement of the charges and an opportunity to be heard thereon.

(c)(1) The commission shall appoint an executive director. The executive director shall be the executive and administrative head of the commission. The executive director shall: (i) serve at the pleasure of the commission; (ii) receive a salary at least commensurate with the salary received by the chair of the commission, as may be determined by the commission; and (iii) devote their full time and attention to the duties of the office. The executive director shall be a person with skill and experience in management. The executive director shall be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the commission and for administering and ensuring the commission's ability to enforce the provisions of law relative to the commission and to each administrative unit thereof, which shall include, but shall not be limited to, developing protocols and procedures to execute the commission's regulations and to expedite the handling of cases and complaints.

(2) The executive director shall annually render a written report to the governor and the general court of the commission's activities and any recommendations.

(d)(1) The executive director shall employ a chief financial officer, who shall be responsible for all funds of the commission. The executive director may employ attorneys, clerks and other employees and agents as the executive director may deem necessary, fix their compensation within the limitations provided by law and prescribe their duties.

(2) All employees of the commission shall be subject to chapter 31 and the rules and regulations thereunder; provided, however, that chapter 31 and the rules and regulations thereunder shall not apply to the executive director, executive secretary, the heads and deputy heads of divisions, attorneys, field representatives and such other positions as the commission may from time to time designate.

(e) There shall be regional offices located in the cities of Fall River, Springfield and Worcester. The commission shall hold public hearings, as needed, in the respective regions. Every case shall, to the extent practicable, be heard in the region in which the complainant resides.

(f)(1) The governor and the attorney general shall appoint an advisory board to the commission, consisting of not less than 21 persons: 13 of whom shall be appointed by the governor and 8 of whom shall be appointed by the attorney general. The members of the advisory board shall include diverse representation and strive to include: (i) persons with expertise in fair housing laws and regulations; (ii) owners and brokers of residential property; (iii) major lending and credit institutions; (iv) major private employers; (v) a designee of the civil service commission; (vi) post-secondary educational institutions; (vii) major labor organizations; (viii) minority racial, ethnic and linguistic groups; (ix) women; (x) older adults; (xi) persons with disabilities; and (xii) recipients of public assistance.

(2) Each member of the advisory board shall be appointed for a term of 5 years. Any advisory board member chosen to fill a vacancy occurring other than by expiration of a term shall be appointed for the unexpired term of the advisory board member whom they are to succeed. The governor shall from time to time designate 1 member as chair of the advisory board. The members of the advisory board shall not be compensated for their services, but they shall be reimbursed for travel and other expenses necessary for the performance of their duties. The executive director may provide technical and clerical assistance to the advisory board.

(3) The advisory board shall: (i) advise the commission on matters of policy affecting the commission; (ii) review the implementation of the commission's programs and policies; (iii) from time to time report their conclusions to the commission and the commissioner appointing authorities; and (iv) coordinate the activities of the local or regional advisory boards appointed pursuant to subsection 8 of section 3 of chapter 151B.

SECTION 6. Section 18N of chapter 6A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 30, the words "the chief justice of the

trial court or a designee" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- a retired judge of the trial court to be appointed by the governor.

SECTION 7. Section 4 of chapter 6C of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 98, the figure "$40,000,000" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- $35,000,000.

SECTION 8. Subsection (a) of section 25 of chapter 10 of the General Laws, as amended by section 9 of chapter 140 of the acts of 2024, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "appropriation", the first time it appears, the following words:- ; provided, however, that the commission may enter into contracts or group agreements for lottery games not currently or previously authorized by the commission, resulting in a contractor or licensor to be paid a specified percentage of net or gross revenues of such game, and such payments shall not be subject to appropriation.

SECTION 9. Section 11K of chapter 12 of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

SECTION 10. Section 11M of said chapter 12, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 52 to 54, inclusive, the words "; provided, however, that the commission shall not approve such a request if the request would exceed an annual reimbursement of $3,000,000".

SECTION 11. Subsection (c) of section 20 of chapter 15D of the General Laws, as inserted by section 36 of chapter 140 of the acts of 2024, is hereby amended by striking out, in the third sentence, the figure "1", each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following figure:- 1.25.

SECTION 12. Section 7A of chapter 26 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended, in lines 18, 33 and 38, by inserting after the figure "176B", in each instance, the following figure:- , 176E.

SECTION 13. Subsection (a) of section 2BBBBBB of chapter 29 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 52 of chapter 140 of the acts of 2024, is hereby further amended by striking out the figure "$250,000,000" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- $500,000,000.

SECTION 14. Section 64 of said chapter 29, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 31, the words "independent contractors" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- contracted employees.

SECTION 15. Said section 64 of said chapter 29, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by adding the following paragraph:-

The state treasurer, on behalf of the commonwealth, may establish an automatic enrollment feature within the deferred compensation program. The automatic enrollment feature shall not require prior authorization by an employee. Automatic enrollment features shall be set

forth in the deferred compensation plan document and shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

(i) automatic enrollment shall apply only to employees hired on or after January 1, 2026; provided, however, that for any commonwealth agencies or departments that purchase or make payments to an individual or group annuity contract, custodial account or any other investment authorized under section 403(b) of the Code for its employees, automatic enrollment shall only apply at said agency's or department's discretion and affirmative election;

(ii) automatic enrollment shall apply only to new employees of a governmental body, described in section 64B, if the governmental body elects to implement the automatic enrollment feature for its employees;

(iii) automatic enrollment shall not require new employees to defer any amount of their compensation;

(iv) an employee who is automatically enrolled shall have the option to decline participation in the plan and shall have 90 days from the date of enrollment to discontinue participation in the plan;

(v) a qualified default investment option shall be made to receive contributions by any automatically-enrolled employee who does not choose an investment alternative to receive the employee's contributions; and

(vi) notice requirements to automatically-enrolled participants shall be made in accordance with federal law.

SECTION 16. Section 64B of said chapter 29, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the third paragraph the following paragraph:-

On behalf of a governmental body, the body's treasurer or, if there is no treasurer, the chief financial officer by whatever name that person is called, may at its own election implement an automatic enrollment feature within its deferred compensation program established pursuant to this section. The automatic enrollment feature shall not require advance authorization by an employee. Subject to the election of each governmental body, any such automatic enrollment feature permitted as a part of a governmental body's deferred compensation program shall only apply to new employees of a governmental body hired on or after January 1, 2026 and such deferred compensation program shall be required to include the specifications for auto enrollment detailed in clauses (ii) through (vi), inclusive, of the ninth paragraph of section 64.

SECTION 17. The definition of "Employee" in section 1 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:- "Employee", as applied to persons whose regular compensation is paid by the advisory board to the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority established in section 7A of chapter 161A, shall mean any person who is engaged in duties that require that the person's time be devoted to the

service of said advisory board in each year during the ordinary working hours of regular and permanent employees.

SECTION 18. Said section 1 of said chapter 32, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "District,", in line 389, the following words:- the advisory board to the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority as established in section 7A of chapter 161A.

SECTION 19. Said section 1 of said chapter 32, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "employer", in line 602, the following words:- , including any accrued sick, personal or vacation leave except when paid as a supplement to the receipt of weekly workers' compensation benefits pursuant to section 69 of chapter 152.

SECTION 20. Section 2 of said chapter 32, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "Council", in line 21, the following words:- , the advisory board to the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority established in section 7A of chapter 161A.

SECTION 21. Section 2 of chapter 32A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "Authority", in line 16, the following words:- , the advisory board to the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority as established in section 7A of chapter 161A.

SECTION 22. Section 2A of chapter 65C of the General Laws, as amended by sections 36 and 37 of chapter 50 of the acts of 2023, is hereby further amended by striking out paragraphs (a) and (b) and inserting in place thereof the following 2 paragraphs:-

(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 section 2011 of the Code, as in effect on December 31, 2000, hereinafter referred to as the "credit". The credit shall be determined based on the value of the federal gross estate after such estate is increased by the value of any property: (i) not included in the federal gross estate; (ii) in which the decedent had at death a qualifying income interest for life described in subsection (c) of section 3A; (iii) for which a deduction was allowed for Massachusetts estate tax purposes with respect to the transfer of such property to the decedent; and (iv) which is not real or tangible personal property located outside of the commonwealth at the time of death. 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 credit shall be determined based on the value of the federal gross estate after such estate is reduced by the value of such real or tangible personal property located outside of the commonwealth and increased by the value of any property: (A) not included in the federal gross estate; (B) in which the decedent had at death a qualifying income interest for life described in subsection (c) of section 3A; (C) for which a deduction was allowed for Massachusetts estate tax purposes with respect to the transfer of such property to the decedent; and (D) that is not real or tangible personal property located outside of the commonwealth at the time of death; provided, however,

that for the purposes of calculating the federal taxable estate, no deduction shall be allowed that is attributable to such real or tangible personal property located outside of the commonwealth.

(b) A tax is hereby imposed upon the transfer of real property situated in this commonwealth and upon tangible personal property having an actual situs in this commonwealth of every person who at the time of their death was not a resident of this commonwealth. The amount of this tax is the amount of the credit calculated based upon a federal gross estate that is equal to the sum of: (i) the value of the estate's real or tangible personal property located in the commonwealth; and (ii) the value of any real or tangible property: (A) not included in the federal gross estate; (B) in which the decedent had at death a qualifying income interest for life described in subsection (c) of section 3A; (C) for which a deduction was allowed for Massachusetts estate tax purposes with respect to the transfer of such property to the decedent; and (D) which is not located outside of the commonwealth at the time of death. Under this subsection, for the purposes of calculating the federal taxable estate, no deduction shall be allowed that is attributable to property other than such real or tangible personal property located in the commonwealth.

SECTION 23. Chapter 112 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 87DDD1/2 and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 87DDD1/2. (a) No person shall engage in the business of finding dwelling accommodations for prospective tenants for a fee unless such person is a licensed broker or real estate salesman as defined in section 87PP.

(b) A licensed broker or real estate salesperson may exclusively contract in writing with a: (i) prospective tenant to find for rent residential real property for a tenant; provided, that the licensed broker or real estate salesperson may present an offer to lease to the landlord or landlord's agent and negotiate on behalf of the tenant; or (ii) landlord or landlord's agent to find a tenant for a residential real property.

(c) No tenant or prospective tenant shall be charged a commission or other fee by a licensed broker or real estate salesperson for procuring residential real property for lease or rental, including if the broker has been engaged by the landlord to market the premises exclusively; provided, however, that the tenant or prospective tenant may be responsible for rental brokerage fees only if: (i) the tenant or prospective tenant initiated contact with the licensed broker or real estate salesperson, including, but not limited to, by responding to an advertisement or listing; (ii) has received a rental brokerage fee disclosure from the licensed broker or real estate salesperson; and (iii) has agreed to the terms and conditions of the brokerage fee disclosure in writing and in accordance with applicable law.

SECTION 24. Section 9D of chapter 118E of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 21, the words "or MassHealth-only".

SECTION 25. Said section 9D of said chapter 118E, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 31, the word "or" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- and.

SECTION 26. Said section 9D of said chapter 118E, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 55 and 56, the words "or only eligible for benefits under Title XIX of the Social Security Act".

SECTION 27. Section 63 of said chapter 118E, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 27 and 28, the words "the lesser of $240,000,000, or an amount" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- an amount less than or.

SECTION 28. Chapter 138 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 12C the following section:-

Section 12D. (a) In any city or town that accepts this section, the local licensing authority may allow any licensee that is licensed to sell only wines and malt beverages pursuant to section 12 to trade in said license and be issued a license to sell all alcoholic beverages pursuant to section 12; provided, that any wine and malt beverage license that is traded in to the local licensing authority for an all alcoholic beverage license under this section shall become non-transferable upon the issuance of the license to sell all alcoholic beverages; provided, however, that a license converted under this section shall be subject to all other relevant provisions of this chapter.

(b) The local licensing authority of a city or town that accepts this section may charge a reasonable fee that shall not be excessive for a license for wine and malt beverage to be traded in for an all alcoholic beverages license under this section.

(c) The local licensing authority of a city or town that accepts this section may establish additional requirements for a license for wine and malt beverage to be traded in for an all alcoholic beverages license under this section.

(d) A license for wine and malt beverage traded in for an all alcoholic beverages license under this section shall not increase the total number of licenses authorized pursuant to section 17 or any other general or special law.

SECTION 29. Section 15B of chapter 186 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "pay", in line 17, the following words:- , to the lessor or to any agent of the lessor,.

SECTION 30. Chapter 258B of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 4 and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 4. (a) There shall be a victim and witness assistance board consisting of 7 members who shall serve without compensation. Notwithstanding any provision of section 6 of chapter 268A to the contrary, the board shall consist of the attorney general or a designee, who

shall serve as chair, and 6 persons to be appointed by the governor, 2 of whom shall be district attorneys and 4 of whom shall be members of the public of whom 3 shall be victims of a crime and 1 shall represent a community disproportionately impacted by high rates of violence and crime or a population underserved due to racial or ethnic identity; provided, however, that the 3 members who are victims of a crime shall be selected from a list of not less than 5 nominations provided by the executive director of the Massachusetts office of victim assistance. For the purposes of this subsection, "members of the public" shall not include any current local, state or federal elected officials. Members of the board shall be selected from diverse ethnicities, races, religions, ages, sexual orientations, gender identities, socio-economic status and geographical backgrounds from throughout the commonwealth. Each member shall serve for a term of 3 years and until their successor is duly appointed and qualified; provided, however, that any person appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve only for the remainder of the unexpired term. Members of the board shall be eligible for reappointment.

(b) The board shall, by majority vote of its members, appoint an executive director who shall serve, subject to appropriation, at such rate of compensation as the board directs for a term of 3 years unless removed for cause by a vote of 6 members of the board. The executive director, subject to appropriation, shall have the power to hire staff, subject to the approval of the board, as is needed to fulfill the powers and duties of the board. The executive director shall have such other powers and duties as the board may delegate to them.

(c) The provisions of chapter 31 shall not apply to the executive director or any employee of the board.

(d) The board shall review program plans, annual reports and the implementation and operation of programs as described in this chapter. The board shall promulgate rules for the preparation and review of such program plans and annual reports.

(e) In addition to the foregoing, the board shall:

(i) have printed and shall make available to social service agencies, medical facilities and law enforcement agencies, cards, posters, brochures or other materials explaining the victim and witness rights and services established under this chapter;

(ii) assist hospitals, clinics and other medical facilities, whether public or private, in disseminating information giving notice of the rights established under this chapter; provided, that this assistance may include providing informational materials including posters suitable to be displayed in emergency and waiting rooms;

(iii) assist law enforcement agencies in familiarizing all of their officers and employees with the crime victims' rights as provided under this chapter; provided, that this assistance may include supplying informational literature on this subject to be utilized as part of the training curriculum for all trainee officers;

(iv) assist all local law enforcement agencies in establishing procedures whereby expedient notification is given to victims and witnesses, as defined under this chapter, of the

rights provided under this chapter; provided, that in municipalities that do not have a local law enforcement agency, the board shall establish procedures whereby it, in cooperation with the state police, shall give notice to victims of crimes as provided in this section;

(v) assume the management and administration of the Garden of Peace, a public memorial garden located on the plaza of 100 Cambridge street in the city of Boston to honor victims of homicide, to receive gifts or grants of money or property to assist the board in the maintenance and operation of the memorial and to establish an advisory committee that shall consist of individuals who have served on the board of directors of the Garden of Peace or other interested citizens appointed by the victim witness assistance board to provide ongoing advice to the board; and

(vi) administer the provisions of chapter 258C through the Massachusetts office for victim assistance.

(f) The executive director, appointed by the board, shall have the authority to promulgate rules and regulations pursuant to chapter 30A as may be necessary to carry out this chapter.

SECTION 31. Section 1 of chapter 258C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting before the definition of "Catastrophic injury" the following definition:-

"Agency", the Massachusetts office for victim assistance, which administers the provisions of chapter 258B on behalf of the victim and witness assistance board.

SECTION 32. Said section 1 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the definition of "Department".

SECTION 33. Said section 1 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 32, 64 and 65, each time it appears, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following words:- the victim's.

SECTION 34. Said section 1 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the definition of "Division" and inserting in place thereof the following definition:-

"Director", the executive director of the agency or the executive director's designee.

SECTION 35. Section 2 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 2, 9, 29, 40 and 41, each time it appears, the word "division" and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- agency.

SECTION 36. Said section 2 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 17, the word "he" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- the claimant.

SECTION 37. Subclause (B) of clause (1) of subsection (b) of section 3 of said chapter 258C, as amended by section 155 of chapter 140 of the acts of 2024, is hereby further amended by striking out the word “program”.

SECTION 38. Subclause (D) of clause (2) of said subsection (b) of said section 3 of said chapter 258C, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 61 and 68, each time it appears, the word “he” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following words:- the victim.

SECTION 39. Subclause (E) of said clause (2) of said subsection (b) of said section 3 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 73, the word “his” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- the victim’s.

SECTION 40. Said chapter 258C is hereby further amended by striking out section 4 and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 4. (a) The agency shall administer this chapter. The director may appoint and remove investigative, legal, clerical or other staff as the work of the agency requires.

(b) The director may promulgate rules and regulations pursuant to chapter 30A as may be necessary to carry out this chapter.

(c) The director may apply for and receive sums which may be transmitted to the victim compensation fund maintained by the treasurer and for any other such funds as may become available to administer the requirements of this chapter.

SECTION 41. Section 5 of said chapter 258C, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 4, the word “he” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- the claimant.

SECTION 42. Said section 5 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 6, 18, 20 and 26, each time it appears, the word “division” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- agency.

SECTION 43. Said section 5 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 22, the word “division” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- agency, through the attorney general,.

SECTION 44. Said section 5 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 33, the word “him” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- the person.

SECTION 45. Said section 5 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 33, the words “attorney general” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- agency, through the attorney general,.

SECTION 46. Section 6 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 2, the word “division” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- agency.

SECTION 47. Said chapter 258C is hereby further amended by striking out section 7 and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 7. Within 15 days of completion of the claims review, the director shall notify the claimant of compensation to be paid or denied and the reasons therefor and shall issue payment in accordance with regulations established under this chapter. The notice shall contain information regarding the right of the claimant to petition for judicial review of the decision by the director.

SECTION 48. Section 8 of said chapter 258C, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 2, 4, 5, 8, 11 and 16, each time it appears, the word “program”.

SECTION 49. Said section 8 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 5, the word “his” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- the director’s.

SECTION 50. Section 9 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 2, 6, 9, 11 and 42, each time it appears, the word “program”.

SECTION 51. Said section 9 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 12, the word “his” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- the director’s.

SECTION 52. The first paragraph of subsection (e) of said section 9 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the fourth and fifth sentences and inserting in place thereof the following 2 sentences:- The clerk of the court shall immediately notify the claimant in writing of the decision and shall forward to the agency a certified copy of the decision. The agency, without further authorization, shall, subject to appropriation, pay the claimant the amount determined by the court.

SECTION 53. Said section 9 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 33, 34, 37, 40 and 41, each time it appears, the word “his” and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following words:- the victim’s.

SECTION 54. Section 11 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 6 and 7, the words “attorney general” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- agency.

SECTION 55. Said section 11 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 7, the words “attorney general” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- agency, through the attorney general,.

SECTION 56. Said section 11 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 8, the word “he”.

SECTION 57. Section 12 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 4, the word “division” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- agency.

SECTION 58. Said section 12 of said chapter 258C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word “general”, in line 15, the following words:- , representing the agency,.

SECTION 59. Said chapter 258C is hereby further amended by adding the following section:-

Section 15. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, all records and information received, obtained or maintained by the agency in connection with any claim for crime victim compensation shall be confidential and privileged. All records and information shall not be disclosed by the agency or by anyone who receives such records or information from the agency.

(b) Nothing in this section shall preclude disclosure of records or information:

(i) for the processing of a claim by the agency or responding to an action in court seeking review of a decision by the agency;

(ii) consisting of information exchanged between the claimant or the claimant’s authorized representative and the agency; provided, that the claimant or the claimant’s authorized representative consents to such disclosure in writing; or

(iii) upon a lawful order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.

SECTION 60. Section 152 of chapter 68 of the acts of 2011 is hereby repealed.

SECTION 61. Section 81 of chapter 28 of the acts of 2023 is hereby amended by striking out the word “2-year”, each time it appears, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:- 3-year.

SECTION 62. Subsection (d) of said section 81 of said chapter 28 is hereby amended by striking out the words “and July 1, 2026” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- , and all subsequent annual reports shall be submitted not later than July 1 of each year thereafter.

SECTION 63. Section 114 of said chapter 28 is hereby amended by striking out the figure “2026” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- 2027.

SECTION 64. Notwithstanding section 59 of chapter 23K of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, 100 per cent of the revenue received from a category

1 licensee, as defined in section 2 of said chapter 23K, pursuant to subsection (a) of section 55 of said chapter 23K, in fiscal year 2026 shall be transferred as follows:

(i) 30.1 per cent to the Gaming Local Aid Fund established in section 63 of said chapter 23K;

(ii) 20.6 per cent to the Commonwealth Transportation Fund established in section 2ZZZ of chapter 29 of the General Laws;

(iii) 19.4 per cent to the Education Fund established in section 64 of said chapter 23K;

(iv) 13.2 per cent to the Gaming Economic Development Fund established in section 2DDDD of said chapter 29;

(v) 6.2 per cent to the Local Capital Projects Fund established in section 2EEEE of said chapter 29;

(vi) 5 per cent to the Public Health Trust Fund established in section 58 of said chapter 23K;

(vii) 2.5 per cent to the Race Horse Development Fund established in section 60 of said chapter 23K;

(viii) 2 per cent to the Massachusetts Cultural and Performing Arts Mitigation Trust Fund established in section 2HHHHH of said chapter 29; and

(ix) 1 per cent to the Massachusetts Tourism Trust Fund to fund tourist promotion agencies under subsection (b) of section 13T of chapter 23A of the General Laws.

SECTION 65. (a) There shall be a task force on vocational-technical education program admissions to examine and make recommendations on: (i) admissions policies pursuant to chapter 74 of the General Laws; (ii) the collection, dissemination and analysis of district-level and statewide data on vocational-technical education program admissions and waitlists for programs pursuant to said chapter 74; and (iii) the standard for review and enforcement of the policies pursuant to clause (i) and data collected, disseminated and analyzed pursuant to clause (ii).

(b) The task force shall consist of the following 15 members: the chairs of the joint committee on education, who shall serve as co-chairs; the chairs of the joint committee on labor and workforce development; a member of the house of representatives appointed by the house minority leader; a member of the senate appointed by the senate minority leader; 1 member of the gateway cities legislative caucus; the commissioner of elementary and secondary education or a designee; 1 member of the Massachusetts Association of Vocational Administrators; 1 member of the Alliance for Vocational Technical Education; 1 member of the Massachusetts Career & Technical Educators Organization; 1 member of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees; 1 member of the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents; 1

member of the Massachusetts Association of Regional Schools; and 1 member of the Massachusetts Municipal Association.

(c) The first meeting of the task force shall take place not later than September 15, 2025. The task force shall conduct at least 1 public hearing to receive testimony from members of the public. Not later than September 15, 2026, the task force shall file a report containing its findings and recommendations, including legislative recommendations, if any, with the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate and the house and senate committees on ways and means.

SECTION 66. (a) The executive office of health and human services shall establish a task force to address barriers and impediments to the practice of telehealth across state lines. The task force shall consist of the following 9 members: the secretary of the executive office of health and human services or a designee, who shall serve as chair; the commissioner of the department of public health or a designee; the commissioner of the department of mental health or a designee; the executive director of the board of registration in medicine or a designee; the undersecretary of the office of consumer affairs and business regulation or a designee; a representative from the health policy commission; a representative from the Massachusetts Medical Society; a representative from the Massachusetts Health and Hospital Association; and a representative from the Massachusetts League of Community Health Centers.

(b)(1) The task force shall conduct an analysis and issue a report evaluating the commonwealth's options to facilitate appropriate interstate medical practice and the practice of telemedicine, including, but not limited to, consideration of the recommendations from the Federation of State Medical Boards Workgroup on telemedicine, the Telehealth Act developed by the Uniform Law Commission, model legislation developed by the American Medical Association, the interstate medical licensure compact and other licensure reciprocity agreements.

(2) The analysis and report shall include, but shall not be limited to: (i) an analysis of physician job vacancies in the commonwealth broken down by practice specialization and projected vacancies based on the demographics of the commonwealth's physician workforce and medical school graduate retention rates; (ii) an analysis of other states' entry into the interstate medical licensure compact and any impact on quality of care resulting from entry; (iii) an analysis of the ability of physicians to provide follow-up care across state lines, including via telehealth; (iv) an analysis of registration models for providers who may provide care for patients via telehealth with the provider located in 1 state and the patient located in another state; provided, that said analysis shall include delineation of provider responsibilities for registration and reporting to state professional licensure boards; (v) an analysis of impacts to health care quality, cost and access resulting from other states' entry into a medical licensure compact and anticipated impacts to health care quality, cost and access associated with entry into an interstate medical licensure compact; (vi) evaluations of barriers and solutions regarding prescribing across state lines; (vii) evaluations of the feasibility of a regional reciprocity agreement allowing telemedicine across state lines both for existing patient provider relationships and the establishment of new relationships; (viii) evaluations of the feasibility of the establishment of interstate proxy credentialing; and (ix) recommendations to support the continuity of care for patients utilizing telehealth across state lines, including, but not limited to, recommendations to

support the continuity of care for people aged 25 and under when providing telehealth across state lines.

(c) The task force shall submit its report, including any recommendations, to the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate and the joint committee on health care financing not later than July 1, 2026.

SECTION 67. (a) The working group established pursuant to item 4000-0601 of section 2 of chapter 140 of the acts of 2024 shall continue to develop recommendations, in addition to those filed in the personal care attendant working group report finalized on February 28, 2025, for the long-term sustainability of the personal care attendant program, including, but not limited to, cost growth targets and how to achieve those targets for the program. Said recommendations shall be filed with the secretary of administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means not later than November 28, 2025.

(b)(1) The executive office of health and human services shall establish an implementation plan to preserve and allow for the long-term sustainability and cost containment of the personal care attendant program. The implementation plan shall include, but shall not be limited to: (i) a detailed description of how the recommendations from the February 28, 2025 report and the report required pursuant to subsection (a) will be implemented, including, but not limited to: (A) any actions already taken to implement the recommendations and the dates on which said actions were taken; and (B) future actions needed to implement the recommendations; (ii) savings realized and anticipated from the implementation of the recommendations from the reports with a detailed description of any changes or adjustments from projected savings included in said reports; (iii) a timeline for the implementation of said recommendations; (iv) the program's growth rate in fiscal year 2026 as of December 15, 2025; (v) any additional changes to the program necessary to contain the program costs consistent with the goals of the working group and the cost growth targets determined by the working group pursuant to subsection (a); and (vi) any other information necessary to explain cost containment measures to be implemented for the program. Said implementation plan shall be filed with the secretary of administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means not later than January 1, 2026.

(2) Not later than March 7, 2026, the executive office of health and human services shall submit an update on the progress of the implementation of the recommendations of the reports pursuant to subsection (a) and said report finalized February 28, 2025 and any other actions taken to preserve and allow for the long-term sustainability and cost containment of the personal care attendant program. The update on the progress of the implementation shall outline the impact of the cost growth targets and how those targets are being achieved. The report shall be submitted to the secretary of administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means.

SECTION 68. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the department of elementary and secondary education shall not: (i) promulgate or otherwise amend its regulations relative to vocational-technical education program admissions pursuant to chapter 74 of the General Laws prior to the completion of the report of the task force established

pursuant to section 65; or (ii) take any other action prior to the completion of the report of the task force that would otherwise alter, amend or affect the admissions policies of schools and programs pursuant to said chapter 74 for the 2025-2026 school year or 2026-2027 vocational-technical education program admissions cycle.

SECTION 69. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the comptroller shall transfer capital gains collected in excess of the threshold pursuant to section 5G of chapter 29 of the General Laws on a quarterly basis as follows: (i) 65 per cent to the Commonwealth's Pension Liability Fund established in subsection (e) of subdivision 8 of section 22 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, which shall satisfy the fiscal year 2026 requirements set forth in subdivision (1) of section 22C of said chapter 32, as amended by section 22 of chapter 28 of the acts of 2023; (ii) 20 per cent to the Commonwealth Stabilization Fund established in section 2H of said chapter 29; and (iii) 15 per cent to the State Retiree Benefits Trust Fund established in section 24 of chapter 32A of the General Laws.

SECTION 70. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the secretary of administration and finance may reduce the allotments of appropriations made in chapter 102 of the acts of 2021 and chapter 268 of the acts of 2022 by up to $200,000,000, which shall revert to the General Fund in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026. Not less than 15 days before reducing said allotments, the secretary shall provide written notice to the house and senate committees on ways and means summarizing the allotment reductions subject to this provision.

SECTION 71. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for fiscal year 2026, $110,000,000 shall be considered operating assistance and distributed to regional transit authorities from item 1595-6370 of section 2E. For fiscal year 2026, $94,000,000 of the amount transferred in item 1595-6370 shall be distributed based on fiscal year 2025 distributions in accordance with the updated fiscal year 2025 bilateral memorandum of understanding between each regional transit authority and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation; provided, however, that each regional transit authority shall receive operating assistance from said item 1595-6370 of said section 2E of not less than the amount received in fiscal year 2025. The department may require each regional transit authority to provide data on ridership, customer service and satisfaction, asset management and financial performance, including farebox recovery, and shall compile any such collected data into a report on the performance of regional transit authorities and detail each authority's progress towards meeting the performance metrics established in each memorandum of understanding.

SECTION 72. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the amounts transferred pursuant to subdivision (1) of section 22C of chapter 32 of the General Laws shall be made available for the Commonwealth's Pension Liability Fund established in section 22 of said chapter 32. The amounts transferred pursuant to said subdivision (1) of said section 22C of said chapter 32 shall meet the commonwealth's obligations pursuant to said section 22C of said chapter 32, including retirement benefits payable by the state employees' retirement system and the state teachers' retirement system, for the costs associated with a 3 per cent cost-of-living adjustment pursuant to section 102 of said chapter 32, for the reimbursement of local retirement systems for previously authorized cost-of-living adjustments pursuant to said section 102 of said chapter 32 and for the costs of increased survivor benefits pursuant to chapter 389 of the acts of

1984. The state board of retirement and each city, town, county and district shall verify these costs, subject to rules that shall be adopted by the state treasurer. The state treasurer may make payments upon a transfer of funds to reimburse certain cities and towns for pensions of retired teachers, including any other obligation that the commonwealth has assumed on behalf of a retirement system other than the state employees' retirement system or state teachers' retirement system, including the commonwealth's share of the amounts to be transferred pursuant to section 22B of said chapter 32. The payments under this section shall be made only pursuant to distribution of money from the Commonwealth's Pension Liability Fund and any distribution, and the payments for which distributions are required, shall be detailed in a written report prepared quarterly by the secretary of administration and finance and submitted to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on public service in advance of the distribution. Distributions shall not be made in advance of the date on which a payment is actually to be made. If the amount transferred pursuant to said subdivision (1) of said section 22C of said chapter 32 exceeds the amount necessary to adequately fund the annual pension obligations, the excess amount shall be credited to the Pension Reserves Investment Trust Fund established in subdivision (8) of said section 22 of said chapter 32 to reduce the unfunded pension liability of the commonwealth.

SECTION 73. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the unexpended balances in items 0699-0015 and 0699-9100 of section 2 shall be deposited into the State Retiree Benefits Trust Fund established in section 24 of chapter 32A of the General Laws before the certification of the fiscal year 2026 consolidated net surplus, pursuant to section 5C of chapter 29 of the General Laws. The amount deposited shall be an amount equal to 10 per cent of all payments received by the commonwealth in fiscal year 2026 under the master settlement agreement in Commonwealth of Massachusetts v. Philip Morris, Inc. et al., Middlesex Superior Court, No. 95-7378; provided, however, that if in fiscal year 2026 the unexpended balances of said items 0699-0015 and 0699-9100 of said section 2 are less than 10 per cent of all payments received by the commonwealth in fiscal year 2026 under the master settlement agreement payments, an amount equal to the difference shall be transferred to the State Retiree Benefits Trust Fund from payments received by the commonwealth under the master settlement agreement.

SECTION 74. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, prior to transferring the consolidated net surplus in the budgetary funds for fiscal year 2026 to the Commonwealth Stabilization Fund pursuant to section 5C of chapter 29 of the General Laws, the comptroller shall transfer $14,000,000 from the General Fund to the Disaster Relief and Resiliency Fund established in section 2HHHHHH of said chapter 29.

SECTION 75. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the secretary of administration and finance, in consultation with the secretary of health and human services, may transfer not more than $15,000,000 from the prescription advantage program in item 9110-1455 of section 2 and the Health Safety Net Trust Fund established in section 66 of chapter 118E of the General Laws in fiscal year 2026 to support the Medicare Saving or Medicare Buy-In programs established in section 25A of said chapter 118E; provided, however, that the secretary of health and human services shall certify to the house and senate committees on ways and means, not less than 45 days in advance of the transfer, in writing, the amount to be transferred

and an explanation of the amount of expected savings to those programs resulting from the transfer.

SECTION 76. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, payments from the Health Safety Net Trust Fund established in section 66 of chapter 118E of the General Laws may be made either as safety net care payments under the commonwealth's waiver pursuant to section 1115 of the federal Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 1315, or as an adjustment to service rate payments under Titles XIX and XXI of the federal Social Security Act or a combination of both. Other federally permissible funding mechanisms available for certain hospitals, as defined by regulations of the executive office of health and human services, may be used to reimburse up to $70,000,000 of uncompensated care pursuant to said section 66 and section 69 of said chapter 118E using sources distinct from the funding made available to the Health Safety Net Trust Fund.

SECTION 77. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, not later than October 1, 2025, and without further appropriation, the comptroller shall transfer from the General Fund to the Health Safety Net Trust Fund established in section 66 of chapter 118E of the General Laws the greater of $45,000,000 or 1/12 of the total expenditures to hospitals and community health centers required pursuant to this act, for the purposes of making initial gross payments to qualifying acute care hospitals for the hospital fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025. These payments shall be made to hospitals before, and in anticipation of, the payment by hospitals of their gross liability to the Health Safety Net Trust Fund. Not later than June 30, 2026, the comptroller shall transfer from the Health Safety Net Trust Fund to the General Fund the amount of the transfer authorized by this section and any allocation of that amount as certified by the director of the health safety net office established in section 65 of said chapter 118E.

SECTION 78. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, in hospital fiscal year 2026, the office of the inspector general may expend not more than $1,000,000 from the Health Safety Net Trust Fund established in section 66 of chapter 118E of the General Laws for costs associated with maintaining a health safety net audit unit within the office. The unit shall continue to oversee and examine the practices in hospitals, including, but not limited to, the care of the uninsured and the resulting free charges. The unit shall also study and review the Medicaid program pursuant to said chapter 118E, including, but not limited to, a review of the program's eligibility requirements, utilization, claims administration and compliance with federal mandates. The inspector general shall submit a report to the chairs of the house and senate committees on ways and means on the results of the audits and any other completed analyses not later than March 1, 2026.

SECTION 79. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, nursing facility rates effective on October 1, 2025, pursuant to section 13D of chapter 118E of the General Laws, may be developed using the costs of calendar year 2019.

SECTION 80. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the comptroller, at the direction of the secretary of administration and finance, may transfer not more than $15,000,000 from the Commonwealth Care Trust Fund established in section 2OOO of

chapter 29 of the General Laws to the Health Safety Net Trust Fund established in section 66 of chapter 118E of the General Laws.

SECTION 81. Sections 4, 5 and 24 to 26, inclusive, shall take effect on January 1, 2026.

SECTION 82. Section 22 shall take effect on August 1, 2025.

SECTION 83. Except as otherwise specified, this act shall take effect on July 1, 2025.