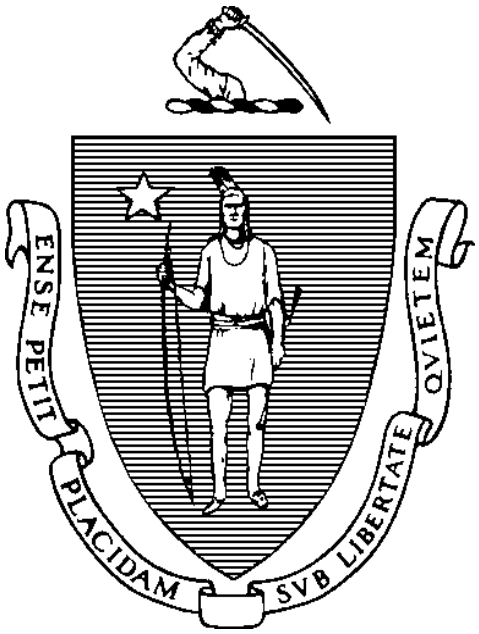

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May 5, 2026

Dear Members of the Massachusetts State Senate,

For the eighth time as the Chair of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means, I have the great honor to present the Committee's annual recommendations for the General Appropriations Act—the Fiscal Year 2027 (FY 2027) Budget.

Thank you to Senate President Karen Spilka for her friendship and close counsel. Because of her longstanding confidence in me to lead this Committee, we have worked together – in partnership – to prioritize our Senate values, meet our shared priorities, and lead with a steady and stable hand. It is this teamwork that has paid dividends, produced results, and made us more resilient, as we move Massachusetts forward through turbulent economic times.

Thank you to all my colleagues for lending your voices and for your tireless commitment and advocacy. Because of you, we constructed this Senate budget, brick by brick, and line by line, over the course of these last few months. The time, effort, and dedication that went into producing this Committee budget reflects the honorable work of all 40 Senators who serve to help their constituents, deliver for their districts, and support pragmatic policy making that upholds our values and preserves the integrity of the Senate as a body.

Thank you to the members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means, especially Vice Chair Senator Jo Ann Comerford of Northampton, Assistant Vice Chair Senator Paul Feeney of Foxborough, and Ranking Minority Member Senator Patrick O'Connor of Weymouth for their help and input in writing the Committee's FY 2027 budget recommendations.

Thank you to our friends in the House Committee on Ways & Means, especially Chair Aaron Michlewitz and his team. I am grateful for the strong partnership that Chair Michlewitz and I have developed over these last seven plus years. We have been incredibly clear-eyed about our state's future, spearheading budgets that have prioritized fiscal responsibility, and made thoughtful investments to make life better for our residents.

Finally, thank you to our friends in in the Healey-Driscoll Administration, Secretary Matthew Gorzkowicz and his team in the Executive Office for Administration and Finance for their cooperation throughout the budget development process. Because of the Secretary's continued collaboration with us in the Legislature and his focus on responsible fiscal stewardship, Massachusetts

remains a beacon of hope and economic resiliency during this time of uncertainty for our residents and our communities.

Today, we hear from families struggling to afford food, from seniors choosing between medication and meals, and from small businesses working to make payroll in the face of the rising cost of doing business. Prices that soared during the pandemic have never come back to earth as our residents across the Commonwealth continue to feel the squeeze and work to make ends meet. This is due in large part to a shifting economic landscape where federal funding cuts, policy shifts and stubborn inflation have led to instability for our communities.

As we brace for more uncertainty and volatility, along with the fate of ballot initiatives, we must chart a steady course forward knowing the road ahead requires careful vigilance. We must strive to mitigate these impacts, preserve our capacity to deliver core services, and build a more hopeful and resilient future for our state. Mindful of these challenges, we in the Senate have remained laser focused on developing a balanced and responsible budget plan that ensures we live within our means by strategically aligning available resources to address ongoing spending pressures.

Therefore, firmly grounded in the principles of sound budgeting and fiscal responsibility, I present the Senate Committee on Ways and Means FY 2027 budget recommendations for your respectful consideration. The Committee's FY 2027 budget proposal reflects the priorities of every single Senator, addresses the needs of our state without raising taxes or fees on residents and businesses, and reflects the efforts of the hard-working staff at Senate Ways and Means.

Emphasizing the Senate's strong bet on every region, city and town during this fiscally challenging time, our committee budget makes record investments in education and local aid. It concludes our long-standing commitment to fully implement the Student Opportunity Act and invests $7.66 billion in Chapter 70, representing an increase of $297 million over FY26. It also devotes an additional $52 million in resources for FY 2027 to support school districts feeling the weight of rising costs, increasing minimum aid for school districts to a historic level of $160 per pupil. In an additional effort to support every corner of our Commonwealth, this budget provides $1.376 billion in funding for Unrestricted General Government Aid (UGGA), significantly increasing this vital source of state aid by $53 million over FY26 and more equitably distributing these additional resources among our communities statewide. With this package of investments, the Senate is delivering meaningful relief for all 351 cities and towns.

Importantly, as escalating costs in special education, student transportation, and health care collide with the reality of local revenue constraints and declining enrollment, this budget acts upon the Senate President's call to examine the K-12 education formula now that we have satisfied our obligations to the Student Opportunity Act. It revives and reconvenes the Foundation Budget Review Commission to conduct a rigorous review of the current education funding formula and explore how to best allocate resources to adequately and fairly reflect the needs of all school districts in our urban, suburban and rural communities.

The Committee's budget also invests significant resources to support the priorities required for a strong and durable fiscal foundation – making investments in early education, housing, transportation, health care, and our state's safety net responsible for assisting our most vulnerable residents. It focuses on fostering new housing production through a series of provisions that streamline local permitting with the goal of making Massachusetts more affordable for families and young adults.

Our budget also dedicates resources to make higher education more affordable, combat hunger, maintain critical safety net programs, strengthen food security initiatives, safeguard the delivery of mental health services, and maintain programs for our growing aging population and individuals with disabilities. It also continues our state's support for our veterans who have served honorably to protect our way of life, while investing resources to ensure our first responders, police, and fire personnel continue to keep our communities and the Commonwealth safe.

Again, thank you to my good friend, Senate President Karen Spilka, all my colleagues, and the members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means.

In the days and weeks ahead, I am confident that we – in the Senate – will continue to work together to pass a balanced and fiscally responsible FY 2027 budget plan that reflects our shared priorities and strives to build a hopeful, more resilient future for our Commonwealth.

For the Committee,

Michael J. Rodrigues
Chair, Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Recommendations

Executive Summary

May 5, 2026

The Senate Committee on Ways and Means Fiscal Year 2027 (FY 2027) budget recommendations are representative of the steady, stable, and long-standing leadership of Senate President Spilka and Chair Rodrigues. The Committee's budget positions the Commonwealth to judiciously navigate ongoing volatility brought forth by the actions of the federal government and increasing geopolitical turbulence. As a sound and responsible budget framework, the Committee's budget upholds Senate values, meets the needs of our communities, and invests thoughtfully to sustain the Commonwealth's fiscal health, support economic resilience and protect against future challenges.

In accordance with the consensus revenue agreement reached in January, this prudent spending recommendation is based on a tax revenue estimate of $42.2 billion for FY 2027 (excluding the Fair Share surtax), representing a 2.4 percent increase over the current Fiscal Year 2026 (FY 2026) benchmark.

Ensuring state spending is responsibly aligned with the estimated level of tax revenue growth while meeting the fiduciary commitments before us, the Committee's budget recommends a total of $63.3 billion in spending, a $2.3 billion increase over the FY 2026 General Appropriations Act (GAA) and $66 million below the Governor's FY 2027 budget proposal in House 2. General budget spending, excluding collections from the Fair Share surtax, represents an increase of $2 billion, or 3.5%, over the FY 2026 GAA.

Reflective of well performing surtax revenue collections to date, the Committee's budget totals $2.7 billion in Fair Share spending to support quality public education initiatives and upgrades to the state's transportation system in a fiscally sustainable manner.

Notably, the Committee's budget does not raise taxes or fees, nor does it utilize resources from the state's Stabilization Fund. Safeguarding the availability of "Rainy Day" fund reserves for future fiscal downturns, our budget also deposits an additional $51 million into the Fund. With this addition, the Fund's balance would reach a historic high of about $8.2 billion by the end of FY 2027.

Maximizing Fair Share Investments to Improve Education and Transportation

In accordance with the consensus revenue agreement reached in January, the FY 2027 budget includes $2.7 billion in estimated revenues generated from the Fair Share surtax. This represents the fourth year in which the Committee's budget utilizes these revenues to support quality *public education* investments and bolster the state's *public transportation infrastructure*. Together with the $1.38 billion in the consolidated Fair Share supplemental budget passed last month, the Senate is directing over $4 billion in Fair Share funds to invest in an array of education and transportation initiatives important to the success of the Commonwealth.

Notable Fair Share ***Education*** investments include:

- $576 million for Student Opportunity Act Expansion to support the final year implementation of the Student Opportunity Act.
- $375 million for the Commonwealth Cares for Children (C3) grant program, which is matched with $100 million in funds from the Early Education and Care Operational Grant Fund, for a total investment of $475 million.
- $180 million for Universal Free School Meals.
- $137 million for free community college across the Commonwealth.
- $124.7 million for Income-Eligible Child Care.
- $119.4 million for DCF and DTA Related Child Care, providing critical early educational services for families eligible for subsidized care.
- $85 million to maintain MASSGrant Plus financial aid programs for in-state students attending state universities, which is in addition to the $176.6 million for scholarships support funded through the General Fund and $18.3 million in the recently passed Fair Share supplemental budget.
- $59 million for school transportation reimbursement costs.
- $28.4 million for the Commonwealth Preschool Partnership Initiative (CPPI) Pre-K Initiative, maintain and support access to high-quality pre-K.
- $14 million for State University SUCCESS Funding.
- $10 million for UMass SUCCESS Funding.
- $2.25 million for Advanced Placement Math and Science Programs.
- $2 million for School-based Mental Health Supports and Wraparound Services, combined with $2.5 million in the Fair Share supplemental budget.
- $1.4 million for non-residential vocational school transportation.

Notable Fair Share ***Transportation*** investments include:

- $550 million to the Commonwealth Transportation Fund.
- $470 million to support the operation of the Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority (MBTA). Together with the $535 million from the recently passed consolidated Fair Share supplement budget, the Committee is dedicating $1 billion in resources to fully fund MBTA's operations for FY 2027.
- $220 million for the Massachusetts Transportation Trust Fund.

- $185 million to support Regional Transit Authorities (RTAs) across the state for a total appropriation of $217.5 million in resources for FY 2027, including $40 million to support complete fare free fixed-route access across all Regional Transit Authorities.

Education

The Senate Ways and Means Committee budget – thanks to the long-standing leadership and guidance of Senate President Spilka and Chair Rodrigues – has made education a hallmark priority throughout their tenure. As such, the Committee's budget champions each education sector from pre-k through higher education and provides the resources that our students, schools, and teachers need to succeed. It satisfies our obligation to the Student Opportunity Act (SOA), provides significant funding to support the Department of Early Education and Care, and strives to shield our public higher education system against federal unpredictability, while promoting affordability for students seeking a degree.

Early Education and Care

The Senate Ways and Means Committee budget supports a substantial investment of $1.86 billion to maintain accessibility and affordability of our high-quality early education and care sector. With this level of funding, we remain deeply committed to doing what we can to responsibly support our early education workforce, protect early education programming, and maintain access to affordable care for many families across every region of the Commonwealth.

- $623.6 million for Income-Eligible Child Care and $597.2 million for DCF and DTA Related Child Care, providing critical services for families eligible for subsidized care.
- $475 million for the Commonwealth Cares for Children (C3) operational grant program, supporting critical operational and workforce needs across the early education sector.
- $48.1 million for EEC Quality Improvement Initiatives.
- $28.45 million for the Commonwealth Preschool Partnership Initiative to maintain access to universal pre-kindergarten and preschool opportunities in underserved areas.
- $20 million for Childcare Resource and Referral Centers to support parents, childcare providers, employers, and community groups in navigating the state's early education and care landscape.
- $20 million for grants to Head Start programs to promote school readiness for young children in low-income households.
- $5 million for grants to early education and care providers for childhood mental health consultation services.

Elementary and Secondary Education

Unwavering in its support of school districts across Massachusetts, whether it be urban, suburban, regional, vocational–technical, or rural, the Senate Committee on Ways and Means budget once again features the Senate's strong commitment to our schools, students, and teachers, dedicating significant funds to support our public K-12 education system and provide communities breathing room from the fiscal challenges that many of them are facing.

Chapter 70/The Student Opportunity Act. Concluding our long-standing commitment to fully implementing the Student Opportunity Act (SOA), we invest $7.66 billion in Chapter 70 representing an increase of $297 million over FY 2026. Recognizing the significant financial challenges facing all our school districts, the Committee's budget also devotes an additional $52 million in resources for FY 2027, increasing minimum aid for school districts to a historic level of $160 per pupil. With these actions, the Senate is keeping its word and providing a much-needed hand-up to school districts feeling the weight of climbing costs and fiscal pressures that come with the responsibility of ensuring every student has access to high-quality public education across the Commonwealth.

Foundation Budget Review Commission. Nearly 7 years since SOA became law in 2019, the Committee's budget revives and reconvenes the Foundation Budget Review Commission as we satisfy our commitments to SOA, recognizing that the current fiscal landscape is pushing our local school districts to the financial brink. As escalating costs for special education, student transportation, personnel, and educator health care collide with local revenue constraints, declining enrollment and stagnant growth in state aid for minimum aid communities, the Senate's budget fulfills the Senate President's call for an examination of the current K-12 education formula to address rising costs and allocate resources to accurately, adequately, and fairly reflect the needs of all school districts across Massachusetts, whether it be urban, suburban, regional, vocational–technical, or rural.

Special Education Circuit Breaker. $652.6 million for the Special Education Circuit Breaker in addition to the $200 million included in the recently passed consolidated Fair Share supplemental budget. Together, with the Fair Share supplemental funding, the Committee is recommending $852.6 million to reimburse school districts for the rising costs of educating students with disabilities and complex needs, funding at least 75% reimbursements to districts for both tuition and transportation.

Regional School Transportation. $114.2 million for regional school transportation from both General Fund and Fair Share resources, increasing reimbursements to 90% of district costs.

Rural School Aid. $20 million to support rural school districts, an increase of $8 million over FY 26. This includes $16 million in funding in the Committee's budget in addition to the $4 million included in the recently passed consolidated Fair Share supplemental budget.

Other Education Investments.

- $200.4 million for reimbursements to school districts for costs incurred when students leave to attend public charter schools.
- $58.3 million for Adult Basic Education.
- $29.9 million for the Metropolitan Council for Educational Opportunity (METCO) program.
- $21 million for Early College Programs and $12.9 million for Dual Enrollment, along with $7.7 million for Innovation Pathways, further empowering high school students to pursue opportunities by taking college courses prior to graduation.
- $3.5 million for Social Emotional Learning Grants to help K-12 schools support social emotional learning programs and services for students.
- $3 million for the Genocide Education Trust Fund to support ongoing efforts to educate middle and high school students on the historical significance of genocide.
- $2.5 million for the Civics Education Trust Fund to maintain a statewide civic infrastructure, provide professional development to teachers, and ensure that every student can access high quality civics education.
- $2.25 million for Advanced Placement Math and Science Programs.
- $1 million for Hate Crimes Prevention Grants to support K-12 schools with the education and prevention of hate crimes and incidences of bias in public schools.

Higher Education

As a core building block of the Commonwealth's economic foundation, our public higher education institutions are under constant pressure brought forth by the actions of the current federal government. Recognizing the need to protect these institutions during this volatile time, the Committee's budget dedicates resources to maintain support for our public higher education system, consisting of 15 community colleges, 12 state universities, and the 5 campuses of the University of Massachusetts, our flagship state university system, all of which are incredibly vital to meeting the education and employment needs of our citizens, and critical to the core of our state's resilient economic ecosystem.

- $884 million for the University of Massachusetts, our world-class public research university system.
- $419.4 million for the fifteen community colleges, including $2 million for mental and behavioral health supports.
- $409.8 million for the nine state universities, including $2 million for mental and behavioral health support.
- $176.6 million for the Massachusetts State Scholarship Reserve.
- $137 million for full funding of the Commonwealth's universal community college program — free of tuition and fees – continuing to fulfill the Senate President's vision of providing support for this initiative in a regionally equitable manner across the Commonwealth.

- $38 million for the higher education wraparound services, including $14 million in General Fund resources, to support wraparound services for students attending community colleges campuses because of Free Community College, $14 million in Fair Share resources to support wraparound services for students attending state universities, and $10 million in Fair Share resources to support wraparound services for students attending UMass.
- $5 million for the Massachusetts Inclusive Postsecondary Education Initiative (MAIPSE) to support high school students with intellectual disabilities ages 18–22 with increased access to higher education opportunities, including $3 million for MAIPSE planning grants and $2 million for the Inclusive Concurrent Enrollment Initiative Trust Fund to fully implement the commitments of the 2022 public higher education access law. Paired with the $500K included for the MAIPSE Trust Fund in the recently passed consolidated Fair Share supplemental budget, the Committee's budget is investing $5.5 million in FY 2027 to ensure access to inclusive higher education opportunities remains a top Senate priority.

Local and Regional Aid

Highlighting the Senate's lasting commitment to a durable state-local partnership, the Committee's budget dedicates significant resources to provide meaningful relief for our cities and towns, further ensuring that the Senate continues its strong support for the needs of every region, city and town, leaving no corner of our Commonwealth behind during this incredibly challenging time.

Unrestricted General Government Aid (UGGA). To sustain this productive partnership, the Committee's budget provides certainty for cities and towns, funding UGGA at $1.376 billion, an increase of $53 million over FY 2026. With this significant increase in resources, the Senate is delivering real relief for all 351 cities and towns as they collectively manage municipal budgets and confront increased costs colliding with limited growth in municipal revenues.

Regional Transit Authorities (RTAs). The Committee's budget once again centers regional equity, ensuring RTAs remain vital to our communities and providing $217.5 million to support our regional public transit system, maintain regional bus service, sustain systemwide fare free transit service, and support the operational needs of our RTAs across the Commonwealth.

PILOT. Augmenting more traditional sources of local aid, the Committee's budget dedicates resources for payments in lieu of taxes (PILOT) for state-owned land to impacted municipalities, providing $55.3 million in additional revenue to help ease the budgets of fiscally strained cities and towns.

Arts, Culture and Libraries. Across the Commonwealth, our arts, culture, and libraries are institutions embedded in the fabric and vibrancy of our communities. The Committee's budget makes investments to ensure that arts and culture programs are sustained locally, while maintaining access to a range of information, services, and programs that local libraries provide to

our residents. It includes $53.4 million for libraries, including $19.4 million for regional library local aid, $20.4 million for municipal libraries and $6.3 million for technology and automated resource networks, and $27.4 million for the Massachusetts Cultural Council to support local creative initiatives.

Health & Human Services

The Senate Ways and Means Committee budget reflects the Senate's strong commitment to ensuring accessible, affordable, sustainable, and quality health care and human services for Massachusetts residents despite current federal uncertainty. Recognizing that health care costs, labor costs, and caseloads have all been growing at a rate that far exceeds revenue growth for the Commonwealth, creating significant fiscal constraints in FY27 and beyond, the Committee's budget preserves funding to safeguard our state's safety net and protect core services for our most vulnerable populations.

MassHealth

The Committee's budget funds MassHealth, the state's Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), at a total of $22.74 billion ($9.32 billion net), a gross increase of $613.3 million (2.8%) over the FY 2026 funding level. Amid rising cost pressures, the Committee's budget maintains access to comprehensive health care coverage for over 1.9 million of our Commonwealth's residents. MassHealth covers more than 1 in 4 residents, nearly half of all children and 7 out of every 10 nursing facility residents.

- Expands the operations of the agency necessary to support members amid federal eligibility restrictions.
- Bolsters rate payments to nursing facilities to shore up access to care for the Commonwealth's aging population.
- Maintains historic investments in the Commonwealth's behavioral health system as established in the landmark Behavioral Health Roadmap and ABC Acts.

Mental Health

Building on the Senate President's long-standing leadership on mental health issues, the Committee's budget continues its commitment to protecting and safeguarding the delivery of mental health care and services in an accessible, equitable, and sustainable manner, investing over $1.3 billion to ensure we support the overall health and well-being of adults and children in need.

- $694 million for Adult Support Services, including $19 million to fully fund jail diversion initiatives to divert individuals with mental illness and substance use disorders from the criminal justice system and connect them with appropriate treatment.
- $395.1 million for DMH hospital and community-based services.
- $136.7 million for children's mental health services.
- $27.4 million for Statewide Homeless Services

- $25 million for emergency department diversion initiatives for children, adolescents, and adults.
- $6.2 million for workforce support for Community Health Centers.

Public Health

Undoubtedly, the Senate's commitment to supporting our state's public health infrastructure, sustaining public trust, and maintaining the quality of life for our residents continues to be unquestioned. To that end, the Committee's budget invests nearly $1.16 billion to support public health programs, improve access to services, and promote healthier communities across all corners of the Commonwealth, regardless of race, income or zip code.

- $256.4 million for DPH hospital operations.
- $192 million for the Bureau of Substance Abuse Services (BSAS).
- $84 million for domestic violence prevention services.
- $38.3 million for early intervention services, ensuring supports are accessible and available to infants and young toddlers with developmental delays and disabilities.
- $31.7 million for HIV/AIDS treatment and prevention.
- $29 million for the State Lab and Disease Unit.
- $25 million for family and adolescent reproductive health.
- $22 million for school-based health programming and services.
- $19 million for maternal and child health, including $4.3 million to implement the home visiting program in accordance with the 2024 maternal health law.
- $15 million for grants to support local and regional boards of health to further strengthen our statewide public health apparatus.
- $14.4 million for suicide prevention and intervention, with an additional $1 million for Samaritans Inc. and $1.2 million for the Call-2-Talk suicide prevention hotline. This investment will fully fund 988, the 24/7 suicide and crisis lifeline.
- $12.5 million for the Safe and Successful Youth Initiative.
- $10.8 million for pediatric palliative care services for terminally ill children and language to ensure that children up to age 22 can continue to be served through the program.
- $8.9 million for the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) and pediatric SANE programs, providing safe and integrated services to protect children from abuse.
- $2.7 million for the Childhood Lead Poisoning and Prevention Trust Fund.
- $2 million for grants to maintain improvements in reproductive health access, infrastructure, and safety.

People with Disabilities

In this time of fiscal constraint and federal uncertainty, protecting equal access to opportunities and dignity for persons with disabilities continues to be a critically important priority for the Senate. In response, the Committee's budget invests over $3.35 billion into a diverse array of services and programs to empower and protect our residents with intellectual, physical, and developmental disabilities, ensuring Massachusetts remains a more equitable, accessible, and inclusive place in the face of an unfriendly federal government.

- $2.07 billion for DDS Community Residential Services.

- $372.3 million for State Operated Residential Services.
- $313.5 million for the DDS Community Day and Work Program.
- $131.4 million for DDS to support respite and family services.
- $110.4 million for services for children with autism including $7.9 million for the Children's Autism Medicaid Waiver.
- $110.3 million for the Turning 22 program, which provides services to help young people with disabilities transition to adulthood. This level of funding will support the largest class in the history of the program.
- $102.5 million for specialized services for adults with autism.
- $33.1 million for head injury treatment services.
- $31.9 million for the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind services.
- $29.2 million for the MassAbility's vocational rehabilitation services.
- $13 million for the Disabled Persons Protection Commission, including funding to support the caregiver abuse registry mandated by Nicky's Law.
- $11.3 million for the Massachusetts Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.
- $8.5 million for the eleven independent living centers across the state providing networks of support to help individuals of all abilities access opportunities and build community.

DDS Turning 22 Commission. Each year, the number of individuals entering the adult system grows, while the need for more services intensifies, highlighting a yearslong trend of both record caseload growth and the increasing acuity needs of this population. In response, the Committee's budget creates a commission – chaired by EOHSS and EOE - to study gaps in the current delivery of transitional youth services and develop a comprehensive plan to improve and strengthen transition services and better overall Turning 22 program outcomes for individuals with disabilities and their families. With the future of federal funding in doubt and limited availability of states resources, the Committee's budget includes this commission to explore ways to modernize and preserve the delivery of transition services and better outcomes for individuals with disabilities.

Aging and Independence

Massachusetts is a nationally recognized leader in age-friendly policies and practices, designated by AARP as age-friendly and the first state government certified as an age-friendly employer by the Age-Friendly Institute. Committed to supporting a growing aging population as they live and thrive, safely and independently, the Committee's budget dedicates over $1 billion to support several programs and services that aim to prioritize the health and wellness of our aging residents, further supporting their right to live independently and age with dignity.

- $505.4 million for the Community Choices program.
- $412.3 million in total for the elder home care program and case management, providing critical health and social services to help seniors remain in their homes.
- $51.6 million for the Protective Services Program to prevent elder abuse and neglect.
- $29.2 million for grants to local Councils on Aging, maintaining assistance per elder at $16.

- $19.5 million for the Executive Office of Aging and Independence, including a $500,000 investment to bolster protections for assisted living residents through enhanced safety standards and improved regulatory oversight.
- $13.4 million for Meals on Wheels and other nutrition programs for seniors.
- $14.1 million for the Congregate and Supportive Senior Housing Programs to support sites throughout the Commonwealth.
- $2.5 million for Geriatric Mental Health Services.

Protecting Children and Working Families

As part of the federal One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBA) signed into law last July, the federal government enacted the largest cuts to SNAP in history by expanding burdensome requirements and altering cost-sharing obligations with states. With these changes, nearly 100,000 Massachusetts residents may be at risk of losing benefits, and starting in FY 2028, Massachusetts may be required to cover up to $447 million annually in SNAP benefit and administrative costs due to new federal cost-shift obligations. In response, the Senate Ways and Means Committee's budget takes proactive steps to ensure federal compliance and mitigate future impacts, while supporting our most vulnerable and maintaining investments in child assistance, anti-hunger, food security, and economic security initiatives.

Anti-Hunger, Supplemental Nutrition and Food Security Initiatives. The Committee's budget is providing over $265 million to support anti-hunger, supplemental nutrition assistance and food security initiatives. This includes $147.7 million for DTA caseworkers to support staffing needs to maintain program integrity, protect access to SNAP food benefits and comply with new federal SNAP requirements. It also provides $55.2 million for Emergency Food Assistance to assist residents in navigating the historical levels of food insecurity, $29.7 million for the Healthy Incentives Program (HIP) to support local farmers and ensure access to healthy food options, and $15.5 million for the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Nutrition Program. With this level of increased investment, the Senate is fighting food insecurity, while protecting access to basic food needs that residents, families, and children deserve.

TAFDC/EAEDC Benefits. The Committee's budget maintains support for Transitional Aid to Families with Dependent Children (TAFDC) and Emergency Aid to the Elderly, Disabled and Children (EAEDC), providing over $640 million to maintain crucial benefits for individuals and working families experiencing deep poverty.

Maintaining the School Clothing Allowance. The Committee's budget recognizes the continued challenges facing families with raising a child in a high-cost state, especially during this turbulent time. In response, our Senate budget dedicates funding to support a $500 per child clothing allowance, providing crucial assistance to families and every child seeking weather-appropriate clothing for the upcoming school year.

- $437.3 million for Transitional Assistance to Families with Dependent Children (TAFDC) and $204 million for Emergency Aid to Elderly, Disabled and Children (EAEDC).
- $343.4 million for services for DCF-involved children and families.
- $320.9 million for DCF Social Workers.
- $147.7 million for DTA Caseworkers to support staffing needs and ensure compliance with new federal SNAP requirements.
- $129.6 million for DCF family support and stabilization services for the purpose of preserving family unity and preventing the placement of children into foster families or congregate care facilities.
- $55.2 million for Emergency Food Assistance to address food insecurity and the rising cost of food.
- $35 million for Family Resource Centers to provide mental health resources and programming available to families
- $29.7 million for the Healthy Incentives Program.
- $20.4 million for the DTA Employment Services Program to help low-income people move toward economic independence.
- $15.5 million for the Women, Infants, and Children Nutrition Program.
- $7.9 million for the Office of the Child Advocate, including funding for the Center on Child Wellbeing and Trauma.
- $5.5 million for Children Advocacy Centers to maintain supportive services available to children that have been neglected or sexually abused.
- $4.95 million for the Secure Jobs Connect program, providing job placement resources and assistance for homeless individuals.

Veterans' Services

Committed to maintaining our nation leading support for the brave men and women who have served honorably to protect our liberty and our way of life, the Committee's budget supports the mission of the Executive Office of Veterans' Services and our Commonwealth's veteran population. Building off the successes of last session's HERO Act, this budget includes funding for veteran outreach centers, shelters for homeless veterans, transitional supports, and benefits for our veterans as well continued support for the Chelsea and Holyoke Soldiers' Homes.

- $85 million for veterans' benefits provided by municipalities, including cash, fuel and rent assistance, employment training and placement and health benefits.
- $45.4 million for Chelsea Soldiers' Home.
- $36.8 million for Holyoke Soldiers' Home.
- $12.5 million for the Executive Office of Veterans' Services Administration.
- $9.5 million for Veterans' Outreach Centers providing peer counseling, employment skills building and job search assistance, substance use disorder counseling and other services.
- $3.9 million for critical transitional and housing assistance for homeless veterans.

- $2.5 million for veterans' mental and behavioral health services through the Home Base program.
- $1 million for the Office of the Veterans Advocate.
- $721,444 for outreach and services targeted to women veterans.

Housing

As we shape a resilient fiscal path for the Commonwealth, addressing housing challenges and unlocking opportunity remain at the forefront of the Senate's agenda. As such, the Committee's budget invests over $1.1 billion, dedicating resources for housing stability, residential assistance, emergency shelter services, and supporting efforts to reduce homelessness providing families and individuals in need with affordable, safe, and secure housing options.

- $278 million for the Massachusetts Rental Voucher Program to support more than 11,500 mobile and project-based rental vouchers.
- $258.6 million for Emergency Assistance Family Shelters.
- $201 million for Residential Assistance for Families in Transition to maintain program benefits and prevent evictions and homelessness upstream.
- $117.8 million for local housing authorities.
- $114 million for assistance for homeless individual shelters.
- $82.3 million for the HomeBASE program to support sustainable exits from shelter.
- $27.3 million for Homeless Programs Administration to support continued exits from the Emergency Shelter System.
- $21.8 million for the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities.
- $19.2 million for the Alternative Housing Voucher Program (AHVP), providing rental assistance to people with disabilities.
- $10.4 million for assistance for unaccompanied homeless youth.
- $10 million for sponsored-based supportive permanent housing to support 16 new housing units and case management services for vulnerable individuals.
- $8.9 million for the Home and Healthy for Good re-housing and supportive services program, including funding to support homeless LGBTQQ youth.
- $7.5 million for family shelter diversion to assist families experiencing homelessness by providing flexible financial assistance to rapidly divert, rehouse and find suitable alternative housing.
- $6.5 million in continued support for Resident Service Coordinators to help residents maintain stable tenancies at local housing authorities and provide households with the services they need.

Streamlined Local Permitting. Facing a sustained housing supply shortage, the Senate recognizes that a clear consistent local permitting process is critical to fostering new housing production across the Commonwealth. To that end, the Committee's budget includes a series of provisions to streamline local permitting and provide more certainty. It strengthens developer protections during permitting, eases the burden of pre-existing nonconformities, provides reasonable timelines for projects to proceed under existing zoning rules, and modernizes the variance standard. These modest local permitting updates reflect a step in the direction of making Massachusetts more affordable for families and young adults.

Supporting Economic and Workforce Development

The Senate recognizes that the economic and workforce development needs of every community, every region, and every employer are essential to the Commonwealth's economic health and success. As we work to make Massachusetts more affordable and competitive, the Committee's budget maintains investments in workforce development programs that support residents and employers as we shape a forward-looking and more resilient economic future for our Commonwealth.

- $15.3 million for summer jobs and work-readiness training for at-risk youth through the YouthWorks program.
- $9.9 million for One-Stop MassHire Career Centers and MassHire Department of Career Services.
- $8.9 million for Career Technical Institutes to increase our skilled worker population and provide residents with access to career-technical training opportunities.
- $5 million for the Massachusetts Technology Collaborative.
- $4.95 million for Small Business Technical Assistance grants.
- $1 million for Regional Economic Development Organizations.
- $1 million for employment programs for young adults with disabilities.

Climate and Environment

Protecting the environment, preserving natural resources, guarding against climate change, supporting our farmers, and advancing clean energy remain important priorities for the Senate. To that end, the Committee's budget maintains the momentum from the recently passed $3.94 billion MassReady Act and invests over $455 million to deliver on our commitments to protect our prized environmental resources, ensure clean air and water, and take the necessary steps to preserve our natural habitats.

- $153.8 million for the Department of Conservation and Recreation to support the Commonwealth's state parks system
- $80.4 million for the Department of Environmental Protection to steward the Commonwealth's air, land, and waterways.

- $67.2 million for the Department of Agricultural Resources to promote and support the Commonwealth's food security and local food economy.
- $28.4 million for the Department of Public Utilities to ensure proper pipeline and utility safety, including $3.6 million for the Energy Facilities Siting Division to continue to implement key provisions of the 2024 climate law.
- $10 million for a transfer to the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center to support investments in the Green Economy Workforce.
- $9.5 million for the Division of Marine Fisheries.
- $7.3 million for the Department of Energy Resources to strengthen and implement clean energy policy in the Commonwealth.
- $5.1 million for the Division of Ecological Restoration to protect the Commonwealth's rivers, wetlands, and watersheds.
- $4.3 million for climate change adaptation and preparedness programs to enhance resilience and to address the mounting threat of climate change.

Defending the Right to Due Process and Keeping Massachusetts Communities Safe

Judiciary

The Senate has always defended fair and equal treatment under the law as a permanent bedrock of the Commonwealth, centering the right to due process as something we must fundamentally protect as we brace for continued pressure from an unfriendly federal government. To that end, the Committee's budget invests over $1.5 billion in programs that uphold equal justice, fairness, and integrity in the courtroom, while supporting individuals with the opportunities to re-enter society as law-abiding citizens contributing to the greater good of our Commonwealth.

- $1 billion for the Trial Court system.
- $380 million for the Committee for Public Counsel Services.
- $206.4 million for the Office of Probation.
- $51 million for the Massachusetts Legal Assistance Corporation.
- $3.4 million for the Mental Health Legal Advisors Committee.
- $3.4 million for Prisoners' Legal Services.

Public Safety, Justice Reinvestment, and Recidivism Reduction

Reflective of the Senate's ongoing commitment to greater accountability, equity, and transparency, the Committee's budget provides significant funding to support the entire criminal justice system and public safety apparatus. With these thoughtful investments, the Senate is prioritizing the safety and security of our communities with funding to reduce recidivism, prevent neighborhood violence initiatives, study the service delivery of emergency medical services, and support our first responders, police, and fire personnel who serve to protect our Commonwealth.

- $810.2 million for Sheriff's offices across the state.

- $607.7 million for the Department of State Police, including $34.4 million for the State Police Crime Lab and $10.4 million to support a new class of state police cadets.
- $187.1 million for District Attorney's offices across the state.
- $87.8 million for the Office of the Attorney General.
- $45.1 million for the Department of Fire Services, including $2 million for the Student Awareness Fire Education program and $2 million for the Critical Incident Stress Management program.
- $28.6 million for the Office of the Medical Examiner.
- $24.5 million for the Massachusetts Alcohol and Substance Abuse Center to provide education, treatment, and re-entry planning for people who are incarcerated and civilly committed males.
- $22.1 million for the Municipal Police Training Committee.
- $16.1 million for a grant program to provide community-based residential re-entry services.
- $10.1 million for the Shannon Grants gang violence prevention and intervention program.
- $9.6 million for the POST Commission and four other small police reform related commissions.
- $7 million for the continuation of an emerging adult reentry program to help reduce recidivism among our younger resident populations.
- $6 million for Municipal Public Safety and Emergency Staffing grants.
- $5 million for the Non-Profit Security Grants.
- $1 million for a grant program to assist communities with making public health-oriented adjustments to their public safety systems, including efforts to implement jail diversion programs, de-escalation training, and hiring behavioral health staff.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Senate, May 5, 2026

The Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was committed the House Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2027 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 (House, No. 5501) reports recommending that the same ought to pass, with an amendment striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text of Senate document numbered 4.

Direct Appropriations:	$62,459,094,416
Retained Revenue Authorization:	$836,297,541
Total:	$63,295,391,957

For the Committee,

Michael J. Rodrigues, Chair

Joanne M. Comerford, Vice Chair

Paul R. Feeney, Assistant Vice Chair

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 laws regulating the disbursement of public funds and the approval thereof for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027. 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, 2027 are necessary and sufficient to provide the means to defray the appropriations and expenditures from such funds for fiscal year 2027 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 those receipts with the projected receipts set forth in this section and shall include a full statement comparing the actual and projected receipts in the annual report for fiscal year 2027 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.

Revenue Source	All Budgeted Funds	General Fund	Commonwealth Transportation Fund	Other Major Funds	Other Funds
Alcoholic Beverages	$96.5	$96.5	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Banks	$19.0	$19.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Cigarettes	$225.2	$225.2	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Corporations	$3,383.1	$3,383.1	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Deeds	$411.6	$411.6	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Fair Share Income Surtax	$2,700.0	$2,150.0	$550.0	$0.0	$0.0

Income	$25,621.0	$25,621.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Inheritance and Estate	$718.9	$718.9	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Insurance	$783.9	$756.9	$0.0	$0.0	$27.0
Marijuana Excise	$193.9	$0.0	$0.0	$193.9	$0.0
Motor Fuel	$697.8	$0.0	$696.9	$0.0	$0.9
Public Utilities	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Room Occupancy	$259.3	$259.3	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Sales - Regular	$6,827.9	$4,506.9	$0.0	$0.0	$2,321.0
Sales - Meals	$1,750.9	$1,750.9	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Sales - Motor Vehicles	$1,198.7	$0.0	$791.2	$0.0	$407.5
Miscellaneous	$12.9	$12.9	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Fiscal Year 2027 Base Tax Revenue Estimate	**$44,900.5**	**$39,912.1**	**$2,038.2**	**$193.9**	**$2,756.4**
Statutory Tax Transfers					
Annual Contribution to the State Pension System	-$5,130.5	-$5,130.5	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Sales Tax Transfer to the MBTA	-$1,444.3	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	-$1,444.3
Sales Tax Transfer to the MSBA	-$1,284.3	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	-$1,284.3
UI Surcharge to the Workforce Training Trust Fund	-$27.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	-$27.0
Fair Share Surtax to Education and Transportation Fund	-$2,150.0	-$2,150.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Excess Capital Gains to the Disaster Relief Fund	-$20.0	-$20.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Excess Capital Gains to the Stabilization Fund	-$51.2	-$51.2	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Excess Capital Gains to State Pension System	-$34.8	-$34.8	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Excess Capital Gains to the State Retiree Benefits Trust Fund	-$150.0	-$150.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Total Statutory Tax Transfers	**-$10,292.0**	**-$7,536.5**	**$0.0**	**$0.0**	**-$2,755.5**
Total Fiscal Year 2027 Consensus Tax Revenue Available for Budget	**$34,608.5**	**$32,375.5**	**$2,038.2**	**$193.9**	**$0.9**
Tax Initiatives and Other Tax Revenue					
Tax-Related Settlements & Judgments	$50.0	$50.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Federal Conformity Phase In	$108.0	$108.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Pass-through Entity Excise Tax Expansion	$296.0	$296.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Food Donation Tax Credit	-$5.5	-$5.5	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Housing Production Sales Tax Credit	-$17.5	-$17.5	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Total Tax Initiatives and Other Tax Revenue	**$431.0**	**$431.0**	**$0.0**	**$0.0**	**$0.0**
Total Taxes for Budget	**$35,039.5**	**$32,806.5**	**$2,038.2**	**$193.9**	**$0.9**
Non-Tax Revenue					
Federal Reimbursements	$15,794.6	$15,786.1	$0.0	$0.0	$8.4
Departmental Revenues	$6,550.5	$5,765.6	$719.0	$53.6	$12.2
Consolidated Transfers	$5,100.1	$2,502.7	$90.7	$301.8	$2,204.9
Total Non-Tax Revenue	**$27,445.2**	**$24,054.5**	**$809.7**	**$355.4**	**$2,225.5**

Fiscal Year 2027 Grand Total	**$62,484.6**	**$56,861.1**	**$2,847.9**	**$549.3**	**$2,226.4**

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 those receipts with projected receipts set forth in this section and to include a full statement comparing those receipts with projected receipts in the annual report for the 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 sources specified in this section.

Non-Tax Revenue: Department Summary	Federal Revenues	Departmental Revenues	Budgeted Transfers	Total Unrestricted	Total Restricted
Judiciary					
Supreme Judicial Court	$0	$2,237,901	$0	$2,237,901	$0
Committee for Public Counsel	$0	$3,038,139	$0	$3,038,139	$0
Appeals Court	$0	$284,765	$0	$284,765	$0
Trial Court	$0	$65,745,420	$0	$65,745,420	$0
Total	**$0**	**$71,306,225**	**$0**	**$71,306,225**	**$0**
District Attorneys					
Middlesex District Attorney's Office	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Worcester District Attorney's Office	$0	$5,000	$0	$5,000	$0
Plymouth District Attorney's Office	$0	$100,000	$0	$100,000	$0
Total	**$0**	**$105,000**	**$0**	**$105,000**	**$0**
Secretary of the Commonwealth					
Secretary of the Commonwealth	$0	$311,026,204	$0	$310,511,204	$515,000
Total	**$0**	**$311,026,204**	**$0**	**$310,511,204**	**$515,000**
Treasurer and Receiver General					
Office of the Treasurer	$0	$495,521,218	$473,116,352	$938,287,570	$30,350,000
Massachusetts Cultural Council	$0	$21,597	$0	$21,597	$0
State Lottery Commission	$0	$30,887	$1,321,596,996	$1,321,627,883	$0
Total	**$0**	**$495,573,702**	**$1,794,713,348**	**$2,259,937,050**	**$30,350,000**
Attorney General					
Office of the Attorney General	$5,979,752	$59,857,051	$0	$58,347,250	$7,489,553
Total	**$5,979,752**	**$59,857,051**	**$0**	**$58,347,250**	**$7,489,553**
State Ethics Commission					
State Ethics Commission	$0	$150,000	$0	$150,000	$0
Total	**$0**	**$150,000**	**$0**	**$150,000**	**$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					
Office of Campaign and Political Finance	$0	$79,500	$0	$79,500	$0
Total	**$0**	**$79,500**	**$0**	**$79,500**	**$0**

Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination					
Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination	$0	$360,327	$0	$35,007	$325,320
Total	**$0**	**$360,327**	**$0**	**$35,007**	**$325,320**
Office of the State Comptroller					
Office of the State Comptroller	$0	$98,592,914	$2,294,995,802	$2,393,588,716	$0
Total	**$0**	**$98,592,914**	**$2,294,995,802**	**$2,393,588,716**	**$0**
Massachusetts Gaming Commission					
Massachusetts Gaming Commission	$0	$0	$389,889,579	$389,889,579	$0
Total	**$0**	**$0**	**$389,889,579**	**$389,889,579**	**$0**
Cannabis Control Commission					
Cannabis Control Commission	$0	$23,569,523	$0	$23,569,523	$0
Total	**$0**	**$23,569,523**	**$0**	**$23,569,523**	**$0**
Executive Office for Administration and Finance					
Secretary of Administration and Finance	$0	$151,108,130	$175,000,000	$326,108,130	$0
Division of Capital Asset Management & Maintenance	$0	$4,644,339	$9,695,826	$4,638,339	$9,701,826
Civil Service Commission	$0	$12,500	$0	$12,500	$0
Group Insurance Commission	$0	$1,328,690,159	$409,862,157	$1,736,205,695	$2,346,621
Division of Administrative Law Appeals	$0	$70,000	$0	$0	$70,000
Department of Revenue	$56,017,558	$217,431,963	$0	$266,682,270	$6,767,251
Appellate Tax Board	$0	$2,985,306	$0	$2,585,306	$400,000
Human Resources Division	$0	$1,235,830	$0	$1,235,830	$0
Operational Services Division	$0	$30,161,252	$0	$12,919,301	$17,241,951
Total	**$56,017,558**	**$1,736,339,479**	**$594,557,983**	**$2,350,387,371**	**$36,527,649**
Executive Office of Technology Services and Security					
Executive Office of Technology Services and Security	$0	$2,733,931	$0	$0	$2,733,931
Total	**$0**	**$2,733,931**	**$0**	**$0**	**$2,733,931**
Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs					
Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs	$25,000	$5,051,342	$0	$4,386,342	$690,000
Department of Public Utilities	$0	$47,575,779	$0	$47,575,779	$0
Department of Environmental Protection	$0	$36,332,145	$0	$30,440,593	$5,891,552
Department of Fish and Game	$8,420,000	$14,033,313	$1,945,000	$23,930,324	$467,989
Department of Agricultural Resources	$0	$6,828,571	$0	$6,828,571	$0
Department of Conservation and Recreation	$0	$32,099,974	$0	$32,099,974	$0
Department of Energy Resources	$0	$9,939,456	$0	$9,939,456	$0
Total	**$8,445,000**	**$151,860,580**	**$1,945,000**	**$155,201,039**	**$7,049,541**
Executive Office of Health and Human Services					
Department of Veterans' Services	$0	$765,484	$0	$5,484	$760,000

Secretary of Health and Human Services	$12,599,847,415	$2,099,364,010	$16,000,000	$14,400,211,425	$315,000,000
Mass Commission for the Blind	$5,289,456	$191,736	$0	$5,481,192	$0
Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission	$8,289,128	$77,310	$0	$8,366,438	$0
Mass Commission for the Deaf	$261,584	$3,500	$0	$265,084	$0
Chelsea Soldiers' Home	$16,480,848	$2,654,195	$0	$18,635,043	$500,000
Holyoke Soldiers' Home	$8,687,722	$2,321,163	$0	$8,008,885	$3,000,000
Department of Youth Services	$4,301,146	$288,293	$0	$4,589,439	$0
Department of Transitional Assistance	$469,176,421	$1,121,427	$19,075,578	$489,373,426	$0
Department of Public Health	$234,718,961	$118,651,416	$1,000,000	$150,622,109	$203,748,268
Department of Children and Families	$381,226,989	$3,143,392	$700,000	$377,927,850	$7,142,531
Department of Mental Health	$169,871,904	$22,522,218	$0	$192,269,122	$125,000
Department of Developmental Services	$1,245,579,965	$4,394,397	$0	$1,249,974,362	$0
Department of Elder Affairs	$235,246,726	$1,434,850	$0	$236,681,576	$0
Total	**$15,378,978,265**	**$2,256,933,391**	**$36,775,578**	**$17,142,411,435**	**$530,275,799**
Health Policy Commission					
Health Policy Commission	$0	$11,148,300	$0	$11,148,300	$0
Total	**$0**	**$11,148,300**	**$0**	**$11,148,300**	**$0**
Center for Health Information and Analysis					
Center for Health Information and Analysis	$0	$37,277,886	$0	$37,277,886	$0
Total	**$0**	**$37,277,886**	**$0**	**$37,277,886**	**$0**
Board of Library Commissioners					
Board of Library Commissioners	$0	$15,039	$0	$15,039	$0
Total	**$0**	**$15,039**	**$0**	**$15,039**	**$0**
Executive Office of Economic Development					
Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation	$0	$1,957,300	$0	$859,553	$1,097,747
Division of Banks	$0	$50,563,608	$0	$49,063,608	$1,500,000
Division of Insurance	$0	$160,432,868	$0	$160,432,868	$0
Division of Professional Licensure	$0	$38,798,307	$0	$18,648,766	$20,149,541
Division of Standards	$0	$5,622,089	$0	$4,718,528	$903,561
Department of Telecommunications and Cable	$0	$5,317,167	$0	$5,317,167	$0
Massachusetts Office of Business Development	$0	$1,194,528	$0	$1,194,528	$0
Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism	$0	$0	$5,343,355	$5,343,355	$0
Total	**$0**	**$263,885,867**	**$5,343,355**	**$245,578,373**	**$23,650,849**
Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities					
Housing and Livable Communities	$0	$7,063,599	$0	$3,412,477	$3,651,122
Total	**$0**	**$7,063,599**	**$0**	**$3,412,477**	**$3,651,122**
Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development					
Labor and Workforce Development	$0	$3,083,693	$23,786,462	$26,415,727	$454,428
Total	**$0**	**$3,083,693**	**$23,786,462**	**$26,415,727**	**$454,428**

Executive Office of Education					
Department of Early Education and Care	$301,527,830	$4,517,760	$0	$305,525,590	$520,000
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education	$0	$7,508,998	$0	$4,888,116	$2,620,882
Department of Higher Education	$0	$10,500,000	$0	$10,500,000	$0
University of Massachusetts	$0	$110,000,000	$0	$110,000,000	$0
Bridgewater State College	$0	$250,000	$0	$250,000	$0
Fitchburg State College	$0	$425,000	$0	$425,000	$0
Framingham State College	$0	$115,000	$0	$115,000	$0
Massachusetts College of Art and Design	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts	$0	$150,000	$0	$150,000	$0
Salem State College	$0	$803,000	$0	$803,000	$0
Westfield State College	$0	$625,000	$0	$625,000	$0
Worcester State College	$0	$425,000	$0	$425,000	$0
Berkshire Community College	$0	$291,150	$0	$291,150	$0
Bristol Community College	$0	$298,275	$0	$298,275	$0
Cape Cod Community College	$0	$288,750	$0	$288,750	$0
Greenfield Community College	$0	$118,750	$0	$118,750	$0
Holyoke Community College	$0	$451,608	$0	$451,608	$0
Mass Bay Community College	$0	$520,000	$0	$520,000	$0
Massasoit Community College	$0	$393,165	$0	$393,165	$0
Middlesex Community College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Mount Wachusett Community College	$0	$259,320	$0	$259,320	$0
Northern Essex Community College	$0	$379,648	$0	$379,648	$0
North Shore Community College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Quinsigamond Community College	$0	$101,423	$0	$101,423	$0
Springfield Technical Community College	$0	$780,000	$0	$780,000	$0
Roxbury Community College	$0	$2,500,000	$0	$0	$2,500,000
Bunker Hill Community College	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Total	**$301,527,830**	**$141,701,847**	**$0**	**$437,588,795**	**$5,640,882**
Executive Office of Public Safety and Security					
Executive Office of Public Safety and Security	$0	$2,100,000	$0	$2,100,000	$0
Office of the Chief Medical Examiner	$0	$10,149,000	$0	$1,297,881	$8,851,119
Criminal History Systems Board	$0	$30,746,070	$0	$24,929,150	$5,816,920
Department of State Police	$1,935,922	$111,533,000	$0	$2,763,000	$110,705,922
Municipal Police Training Council	$0	$2,800,000	$0	$0	$2,800,000
Department of Fire Services	$0	$59,771,317	$0	$57,352,448	$2,418,869
Military Division	$0	$1,900,000	$0	$0	$1,900,000
Emergency Management Agency	$2,000,000	$0	$0	$2,000,000	$0
Department of Corrections	$3,500,000	$6,013,000	$4,687,000	$0	$14,200,000
Total	**$7,435,922**	**$225,012,387**	**$4,687,000**	**$90,442,479**	**$146,692,830**
Sheriffs					
Hampden Sheriff's Office	$1,035,000	$3,713,855	$0	$1,117,604	$3,631,251
Worcester Sheriff's Office	$34,000	$20,000	$0	$54,000	$0

Middlesex Sheriff's Office	$14,600	$210,338	$0	$49,938	$175,000
Hampshire Sheriff's Office	$7,600	$8,223	$0	$15,823	$0
Berkshire Sheriff's Office	$8,500	$1,800,214	$0	$208,714	$1,600,000
Franklin Sheriff's Office	$206,863	$7,152	$0	$214,015	$0
Essex Sheriff's Office	$29,200	$1,858,697	$0	$37,897	$1,850,000
Barnstable Sheriff's Office	$0	$1,506,036	$0	$6,036	$1,500,000
Bristol Sheriff's Office	$148,764	$257,215	$0	$405,979	$0
Dukes Sheriff's Office	$0	$448,764	$0	$148,764	$300,000
Norfolk Sheriff's Office	$357,229	$215,430	$0	$357,229	$215,430
Plymouth Sheriff's Office	$34,341,845	$300,000	$0	$34,341,845	$300,000
Suffolk Sheriff's Office	$0	$2,250,000	$0	$450,000	$1,800,000
Total	**$36,183,601**	**$12,595,924**	**$0**	**$37,407,844**	**$11,371,681**
Massachusetts Department of Transportation					
Massachusetts Department of Transportation	$0	$638,502,672	$53,433,545	$691,936,217	$0
Total	**$0**	**$638,502,672**	**$53,433,545**	**$691,936,217**	**$0**
Total Non-Tax Revenue	**$15,794,567,928**	**$6,550,455,041**	**$5,200,127,652**	**$26,736,742,036**	**$808,408,585**

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.....$12,684,430

0320-0010 For the operation of the clerk's office of the supreme judicial court for Suffolk county.....$2,500,938

0321-0001 For the operation of the commission on judicial conduct.....$1,223,014

0321-0100 For the services of the board of bar examiners.....$2,711,846

Committee for Public Counsel Services.

0321-1500 For the operation of the committee for public counsel services under chapter 211D of the General Laws; 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 not later than December 2, 2026, 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 2027; provided further, that not later than March 3, 2027, the committee shall submit an annual report to the house and senate committees on ways and means 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 number of cases handled by the committee in each reporting period, delineated by public defender and private bar advocate; (ii) the average number of hours spent per case by public defenders; (iii) 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; (iv) the number of public defender vacancies to be filled; (v) the average cost for public defender services rendered per case in the prior fiscal year; (vi) the number of cases assigned to

private bar advocates; (vii) the average number of hours billed by private bar advocates; (viii) the average cost for private bar advocate services rendered per case in the prior fiscal year; (ix) 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; (x) any changes to the private bar billing system and any billing improvements that have been made; (xi) 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 (xii) 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.....$109,000,000

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 and under 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 2027 .....$245,827,979

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 2027 .....$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 2, 2027, 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

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; provided, that funds shall be expended for the operations of a satellite office in the western region of the commonwealth $3,415,072

Prisoners' Legal Services.

0321-2100 For the expenses of Prisoners' Legal Services $3,370,268

New England Innocence Project.

0321-2200 For the expenses of the New England Innocence Project, Inc. to support exonerees.....$250,000

Social Law Library.

0321-2205 For the expenses of the social law library located in Suffolk county $3,049,096

Appeals Court.

0322-0100 For the appeals court, including the salaries, traveling allowances and expenses of the chief justice, recall justices and associate justices.....$16,268,212

Trial Court.

0330-0101 For the salaries of the justices of the 7 departments of the trial court $90,824,360

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 and 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 and 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 those barriers to guarantee the provision of competent representation and inclusive practices in each courtroom; provided further, that funds shall be expended for juvenile court investigators rates at an amount that at least maintains the rates established in fiscal year 2026; provided further, that not less than $300,000 shall be expended to ensure the maintenance of an interactive text response system to remind litigants, including all criminal defendants in the district, Boston municipal and superior courts, of their court dates; provided further, that not less than $1,130,000 shall be expended to hire mental health clinicians; provided further, that mental health clinicians shall be distributed to court facilities in a geographically equitable manner; 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 by 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 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; 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 item number of the appropriation making the transfer; (3) the item number of the appropriation receiving the transfer; and (4) the reason for the transfer $387,099,302

0330-0344 For the administration and transportation costs associated with a veterans court program $274,745

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; provided, that permanency mediation services shall be made available in Bristol county $600,000

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 2027 as selected in fiscal year 2026 to: (i) monitor program fidelity and design; (ii) implement the model; and (iii) collect and analyze the outcome evaluation; and provided further, that not later than March 16, 2027, 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 $1,383,811

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, 2027, 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..... $8,947,480

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 2, 2027, 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 $283,605

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 state agencies and 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 2, 2027, 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 2, 2027, 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 any 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 the sheriffs' offices that receive grant funds shall report participation, completion and recidivism rates annually to the executive office of public safety and security; 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 later than March 2, 2027, copies of the report shall be provided to the executive office for administration and finance, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on the judiciary; provided further, that funds shall be expended to improve collaboration between the department of correction and the parole board to reduce delays in the release of incarcerated persons approved for parole; provided further, that not later than March 2, 2027, the department of correction and the parole board shall submit a joint report to the executive office for administration and finance, the house and senate committees on

ways and means and the joint committee on the judiciary detailing the: (i) implementation process; (ii) number of incarcerated persons who experienced delayed release in fiscal year 2026 compared to prior fiscal years; and (iii) average length of delays in fiscal year 2026 compared to prior fiscal years; provided further, that not less than $130,000 shall be expended to: (a) evaluate the caseload of parole and probation officers; (b) hire new officers accordingly; and (c) expand 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 to improve 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 to develop and implement 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 $39,925,793

District Court Department.

0332-0100 For the operation of the district court department, including a civil conciliation program $92,986,131

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 to continue the case management triage plan $48,720,381

Land Court Department.

0334-0001 For the operation of the land court department.....$6,534,669

Boston Municipal Court Department.

0335-0001 For the operation of the Boston municipal court department $16,814,451

Housing Court Department.

0336-0002 For the operation of the housing court department; provided, that funds shall be expended on court interpreter services $15,780,738

Juvenile Court Department.

0337-0002 For the operation of the juvenile court department.....$24,119,196

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 utilize 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 pretrial 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; and provided further, that not later than November 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 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.....$206,356,677

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 2, 2027, 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 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; 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; and provided further, that not less than $2,000,000 shall be expended for the Ralph Gants Reentry Services Program for the purpose of supporting reentry, including providing reentry services programs $33,678,828

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 16, 2027, 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 correction facilities and state prisons, including incarcerated persons under the supervision of state prisons and county correction 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 the 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; provided further, that not less than $1,500,000 shall be awarded to the parole board for sober and transitional housing for parolees; and provided further, that not later than March 2, 2027, 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 $16,110,703

Office of the Jury Commissioner.

0339-2100 For the office of jury commissioner under chapter 234A of the General Laws $3,886,393

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 ..... $29,951,325

0340-0198 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Suffolk district attorney's office $532,839

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..... $25,490,650

0340-0298 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Middlesex district attorney's office $789,542

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..... $15,452,607

0340-0398 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Eastern district attorney's office $758,496

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..... $16,733,669

0340-0498 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Worcester district attorney's office..... $641,139

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..... $17,398,942

0340-0598 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Hampden district attorney's office.....$649,406

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 .....$10,465,496

0340-0698 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Northwestern district attorney's office $456,230

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.....$15,083,161

0340-0798 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Norfolk district attorney's office $628,869

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.....$13,322,877

0340-0898 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Plymouth district attorney's office.....$656,788

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.....$15,457,795

0340-0998 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Bristol district attorney's office $785,005

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.....$6,850,371

0340-1098 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Cape and Islands district attorney's office.....$434,367

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.....$6,321,513

0340-1198 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the Berkshire district attorney's office.....$354,094

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 any such programs shall be designed in consultation with the department of public health; provided further, that diversion program candidates without insurance coverage for the services under the programs 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.....$514,949

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 those 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 16, 2027, the report shall be submitted to the

house and senate committees on ways and means and the clerks of the senate and house of representatives; provided further, that not later than January 29, 2027, 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 senate and house of representatives; provided further, that the association shall provide the offices with an agreed-upon template for the report to be filled out; provided further, that the offices shall submit the report in a standard electronic format; and provided further, that the 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, the supreme judicial court, a single justice of the appeals court or of the 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 $2,872,595

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 these 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 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 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 nonattorney 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..... $1,030,000

0340-8908 For the costs associated with maintaining the Massachusetts District Attorneys Association's wide area network $3,465,645

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 $6,173,602

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 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 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 and the records conservation board $8,945,370

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, 2027, 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 the amounts expended in fiscal year 2026 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 $914,130

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 $368,538

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 $1,280,663

0511-0273 For a grant program to be administered by the secretary of the commonwealth for municipalities or regional planning agencies to prepare for the 2030 decennial census; provided, that grants shall be used to cover costs related to the preparation of the list of addresses used to enumerate local populations; provided further, that the secretary may prioritize grants to low income communities or gateway municipalities as defined in section 3A of chapter 23A of the General Laws; and provided further, that the secretary may use not more than 5 per cent of the total appropriation for necessary administrative costs reasonably related to grant administration $1,000,000

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 clause (i) of subsection (a) 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 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 $349,337

0517-0000 For the printing of public documents $577,145

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

notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the secretary of state may incur costs and make expenditures in excess of funds available by not more than $15,000,000 to provide for necessary election costs related to items 0521-0000, 0521-0001, 0521-0002 and 0524-0000; provided further, that the secretary shall submit supporting documents on incurred costs necessary to administer elections to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means not later than 60 days after the completion of elections; provided further, 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 $30,595,925

0521-0001 For the operation of the central voter registration computer system; provided, that not later than January 29, 2027, the secretary of the commonwealth shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing voter registration activity and a breakdown, by region, of active voters in the commonwealth..... $11,448,118

0521-0002 For implementation of early voting in the commonwealth as required by section 25B of chapter 54 of the General Laws $6,884,180

0524-0000 For providing information to voters $2,155,894

0526-0100 For the operation of the Massachusetts historical commission $1,228,623

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 $1,474,004

0540-1000 For the registry of deeds located in the city of Salem.....$3,343,591

0540-1100 For the registry of deeds located in the county of Franklin.....$732,774

0540-1200 For the registry of deeds located in the county of Hampden.....$2,297,688

0540-1300 For the registry of deeds located in the county of Hampshire $917,228

0540-1400 For the registry of deeds located in the city of Lowell $1,398,799

0540-1500 For the registry of deeds located in the city of Cambridge.....$4,724,745

0540-1600 For the registry of deeds located in the town of Adams.....$489,356

0540-1700 For the registry of deeds located in the city of Pittsfield $661,809

0540-1800 For the registry of deeds located in the town of Great Barrington..... $392,706

0540-1900 For the registry of deeds located in the county of Suffolk..... $2,766,382

0540-2000 For the registry of deeds located in the city of Fitchburg $851,435

0540-2100 For the registry of deeds located in the city of Worcester $2,738,149

TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL.

Office of the Treasurer and Receiver General.

0610-0000 For the office of the treasurer and receiver general $13,707,567

0610-0010 For the office of economic empowerment to promote and improve financial literacy; provided, that funds from this item may be transferred to the Economic Empowerment Trust Fund established in section 35QQ of chapter 10 of the General Laws..... $1,476,699

0610-0050 For the administration of the alcoholic beverages control commission in its efforts to regulate and control the conduct and condition of trafficking in alcoholic beverages; provided, that the commission shall maintain at least 1 chief investigator and may maintain such other investigators as may be necessary for the regulation and control of the 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 the 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 funds, grants and other federal appropriations from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives in the United States Department of Justice; 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 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 2, 2026, 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 $2,203,626

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 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 of any expenditure of funds from this item; and provided further, that at the written request 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; 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; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, funds may be expended for the establishment and operation of the online lottery established in section 24 of chapter 10 of the General Laws.....$122,614,695

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 30, 2027, the state lottery commission shall submit 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.....$6,000,000

0640-0096 For the commonwealth's fiscal year 2027 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 58, 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 said chapter 10, 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 the amount in 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; provided further, that not later than October 30, 2026, the council shall submit its board-approved fiscal year 2027 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; provided further, that not less than $25,000 shall be expended as an honorarium to the official Poet Laureate of Massachusetts pursuant to Executive Order no. 640; and provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended to the Hopkinton Center for the Arts for the design of an accessible theatre.....$27,448,072

Debt Service.

0699-0005 For the state treasurer, who may retain and expend not more than $30,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 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.....$289,765,086

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, 2027 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 which would otherwise have insufficient amounts to meet debt service obligations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027; 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; provided further, that notwithstanding this item or any 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 submit to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 10 days in advance of charging such payments; and provided further, that the state treasurer may expend from the Technology Education Fund under items 7070-6606 and 7070-6607 in the state accounting system, payments to the University of Massachusetts and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for interest accrued in fiscal year 2027 and prior fiscal years on bonds held pursuant to section 4 of the Morrill Act, 7 U.S.C. 304.....$2,240,456,319

General Fund 45.00%
Commonwealth Transportation Fund.....55.00%

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 $81,421,109

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 in the debt management department in 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, 2027 shall be charged to the various funds or to the General Fund or to 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 $20,724,096

0710-0100 For the operation of the division of local mandates..... $515,371

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 $2,657,193

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 March 2, 2027, 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.....$1,525,387

0710-0300 For costs related to the use of data analytic techniques to identify fraud by the bureau of special investigations.....$569,734

0710-0400 For the operation of an information technology audit unit within the office of the state auditor to conduct audits of high risk information technology related activities including, cybersecurity, data access, systems operations, data integrity and regulatory compliance $905,621

POLICE REFORM COMMISSION.

0800-0000 For the operation of the Massachusetts Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission; provided, that not later than March 16, 2027, 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 2027; (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 the suspension.....$9,009,866

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 funds shall be expended to support the services of the student loan ombudsman within the office who will serve as an independent mediator for student loan borrowers in the commonwealth.....$52,088,563

0810-0013 For the office of the attorney general, which may expend for a false claims program not more than $4,578,648 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 $4,578,648

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.....$3,330,206

0810-0016 For the office of the attorney general, which may expend not more than $618,201 in 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 Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq., the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq., the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300f et seq., the Comprehensive

Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq., the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act, 42 U.S.C 11001 et seq., the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. 6901 et seq. and the 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 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.....$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; and 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.....$5,897,957

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 who shall have significant experience investigating violations of the

commonwealth's prevailing wage and construction laws; and provided further, that not later than February 26, 2027, the specialized unit shall submit a report on its annual enforcement actions and violation trends within the construction industry to the clerks of the senate and the house of representatives $7,514,554

0810-0061 For the funding of existing and future litigation committed to obtaining significant recoveries for the commonwealth $3,995,600

0810-0098 For the overtime costs of state police officers assigned to the office of the attorney general; provided, that other costs associated with the 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 $867,874

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; 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; and provided further, that funds may be expended for costs associated with health insurance rate hearings $2,093,995

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 $598,970

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 any other 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 $420,582

0810-1204 For the costs of the division of gaming enforcement under section 11M of chapter 12 of the General Laws; provided, that the gaming commission shall reimburse the General Fund for the total amount of this appropriation and associated fringe benefit costs under said section 11M of said chapter 12 .....$596,773

0810-1205 For programs established to combat 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 29, 2027, the office of the attorney general shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the results of the program including, but not limited to, the effectiveness of investigations, opioid and trafficking settlements pursued and long-term plans for the program.....$2,861,598

0810-1206 For the office of the attorney general, which may expend for a civil penalties revolving fund an amount not to exceed $2,292,705 from revenues collected from enforcement of civil laws; 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.....$2,292,705

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 funds shall be expended for the operation and administration of trainings and educational programming that advance the goals of the Massachusetts office for victim assistance.....$2,375,578

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 29, 2027, 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 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 2026.....$2,453,510

STATE ETHICS COMMISSION.

0900-0100 For the operation of the state ethics commission.....$3,917,515

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL.

0910-0200 For the operation of the office of the inspector general.....$6,476,307

0910-0210 For the office of the inspector general, which may expend not more than $1,680,000 from revenues collected from the fees charged to participants in the OIG Academy, including the Massachusetts public purchasing official certification program for the operation of OIG Academy 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 this item in the next 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 $844,780

0910-0230 For the operation of the data analytics unit within the office of the inspector general $649,094

0910-0300 For the operation of the internal special audit unit established in section 9 of chapter 6C of the General Laws $1,312,345

0910-0330 For the operation of the division of state police oversight established pursuant to section 72 of chapter 22C of the General Laws $486,890

OFFICE OF CAMPAIGN AND POLITICAL FINANCE.

0920-0300 For the operation of the office of campaign and political finance $2,228,865

OFFICE OF THE CHILD ADVOCATE.

0930-0100 For the operation of the office of the child advocate; provided, that not less than $3,750,000 shall be expended for the operation of the state center on child wellbeing and trauma; 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 $7,966,712

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, 2027, 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 authority is named as a respondent, delineating those cases by agency or authority; (iii) number of new cases filed in fiscal year 2026; (iv) number of cases closed by the commission in fiscal year 2026; and (v) average duration of cases closed by the commission in fiscal year 2026, delineated by cases that reached the conciliation, pre-public hearing and post-public hearing stages; and provided further, that all nonclerical positions shall be exempt from chapter 31 of the General Laws $10,422,738

0940-0102 For the Massachusetts commission against discrimination, which may expend not more than $325,320 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 $325,320

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 $991,743

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 $290,485

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 $1,600,000

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF ASIAN AMERICANS AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS.

0950-0080 For the commission on the status of citizens of Asian American and Pacific Islander descent established in section 68 of chapter 3 of the General Laws $586,189

OFFICE OF THE VETERAN ADVOCATE.

0960-1000 For the operation of the office of the veteran advocate $1,000,000

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER.

1000-0001 For the office of the 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 agencies of the commonwealth to promote accountability, integrity and clarity in the commonwealth's business, fiscal and administrative enterprises and to mitigate the risk of fraud, waste and abuse of the commonwealth's 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 $12,287,820

CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION.

1070-0840 For the operation of the cannabis control commission $16,585,330

Marijuana Regulation Fund.....100%

1070-0842 For the cannabis control commission's oversight of the medical marijuana industry $3,526,466

Marijuana Regulation Fund.....100%

1070-0843 For the operation of a statewide laboratory for the independent review of cannabis products.....$750,000

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 29, 2027 and the second of which shall be submitted not later than May 28, 2027, to the house and senate committees on ways and means summarizing existing and proposed collective bargaining agreements in an electronic format; provided further, that, for each agreement, the reports shall include, 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 nonsalary 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, 2026, 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 $4,837,840

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..... $582,639

1100-1700 For the provision of information technology services within the executive office for administration and finance..... $39,262,566

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 both 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 30, 2026, the office shall report its fiscal year 2026 actuals, fiscal year 2027 year-to-date actuals and forecasts and fiscal year 2028 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 12, 2027, the office shall submit updated forecasts to the executive office and to the house and senate committees on ways and means $245,616

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.....$31,606,483

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 $9,701,826 in revenues collected from rentals, commissions, fees and any other sources pertaining to the operations of such 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.....$9,701,826

1102-3233 For the division of capital asset management and maintenance for the certification of contractors and subcontractors $986,564

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.....$162,257

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; and provided further, that funds shall be expended for full-time maintenance coverage of elevators at the state house.....$4,575,171

1102-3400 For security operations at the bureau of the state house, including security personnel necessary to adequately staff the security operations center and manage communications for the bureau of the

state house security and emergency preparedness team with public safety agencies $742,500

Massachusetts Office on Disability.

1107-2400 For the Massachusetts office on disability..... $1,465,805

DISABLED PERSONS PROTECTION COMMISSION.

1107-2501 For 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 MassAbility; 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 $13,000,000

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..... $1,305,302

Group Insurance Commission.

1108-5100 For the operation of the group insurance 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 not later than 15 days after the

public meeting; provided further, that on a monthly basis, the commission shall provide the caseload forecasting office with enrollment data and any other information pertinent to caseload forecasting; and 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.....$5,824,752

1108-5200 For the commonwealth's share of the group insurance premium and plan costs incurred in fiscal year 2027; 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 funds may be expended from this item for elderly retired governmental employees and retired municipal teachers; 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; 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 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 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 shall charge the department of unemployment assistance and other departments, authorities, agencies and divisions which 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 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 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, the commission shall notify the house and senate committees on ways and means; 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 2027 and any unexpended balance in this item shall revert to the General Fund on June 30, 2027; provided further, that not later than March 5, 2027, 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 2027; (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; and provided further, that not later than February 5, 2027, the commission shall submit a report to the joint committee on health care financing and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (a) the impact of the elimination of coverage of glucagon-like peptide-1 medications for obesity management on subscriber finances and health; (b) the annualized cost savings associated with the elimination of coverage; and (c) short- and long-term strategies for limiting the cost growth of high-cost medications including, but not limited to, glucagon-like peptide-1 medications.....$2,765,209,719

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 $2,346,621 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 $2,346,621

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 $2,201,006

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 the services provided $70,000

George Fingold Library.

1120-4005 For the administration of the George Fingold Library..... $1,663,212

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 services 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, on either a full-time or less than full-time basis, 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; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the department's tax expenditure commission established in section 14 of chapter 14 of the General Laws; and provided further, that funds 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 $105,999,193

1201-0122 For grants to qualified low-income taxpayer clinics established in section 13 of chapter 14 of the General Laws; provided, that not later than March 5, 2027, 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 the auditors shall: (i) locate and identify persons who are delinquent either in the filing of a tax return or the payment of a tax due and payable to the commonwealth; (ii) obtain the delinquent returns; and (iii) collect the delinquent taxes; 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 $27,938,953

1201-0160 For the child support services 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

services activities and those agencies may expend funds for the purposes of this item; provided further, that not later than March 3, 2027, 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 services 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 March 3, 2027, 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 in 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 1201-0165, 1201-0410 and 1201-0412 ..... $47,063,828

1201-0164 For the child support services division, which may expend not more than $6,767,251 from the federal reimbursements awarded for personnel and lower subsidiary-related expenditures; 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 -24incur 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 in section 40 of chapter 64C of the General Laws $1,072,879

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 $173,250 or the

amount certified by the secretary of administration and finance under section 156 of chapter 139 of the acts of 2012 .....$173,250

1232-0100 For underground storage tank reimbursements to parties that have remediated spills of petroleum products under chapter 21J of the General Laws; provided, that priority for payment of approved claims shall be given to claimants who own or formerly owned not more than 4 dispensing facilities.....$5,842,714

Underground Storage Tank Petroleum
Product Cleanup Fund 100%

1232-0200 For the Underground Storage Tank Petroleum Cleanup Fund Administrative Review Board established in 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 from this item shall be sufficient to cover the administrative expenses of the underground storage tank program; and provided further, that not later than March 3, 2027, 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.....$1,892,435

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 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 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 $43,119,996

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; provided, that not less than $53,000,000 shall be distributed based on each municipality's proportional share of the statewide population; provided further, that the portion of such distribution to any individual municipality shall not exceed 4 per cent of the total distribution; and provided further, that notwithstanding the prior provisos, the total apportionments from this item shall be prescribed in section 3 ..... $1,376,109,515

General Fund 84.47%
Gaming Local Aid Fund..... 15.53%

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 item in fiscal year 2027 that is less than the amount said city or town received in fiscal year 2026 ..... $55,371,000

1233-2401 For reimbursements to qualifying cities and towns for additional educational costs under chapter 40S of the General Laws $2,300,000

Appellate Tax Board.

1310-1000 For the operation of the appellate tax board $2,671,770

1310-1001 For the appellate tax board, which may expend not more than $400,000 in revenues collected from fees; 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 not later than 15 days after the public meeting..... $13,935,377

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 in 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 within the department of revenue and distributed through the District Local Technical Assistance Fund; provided further, that not less than $6,000,000 shall be transferred to the executive office of public safety and security for a competitive grant program for public safety and emergency staffing to be administered by the executive office; provided further, that the grants shall be awarded to communities using the same methodology and criteria used in fiscal year 2026; provided further, that grants under this item shall only be provided to communities that submitted qualifying applications that were approved by the executive office in fiscal year 2026; provided further, that not more than 4 per cent of funds appropriated for the grant program shall be expended for the administrative costs of the program; and provided further, that not later than February 16, 2027, each state entity administering grant funds through this item shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing grants awarded through this item and the criteria used for distribution $10,000,000

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

1599-1970 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 2027 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; provided, that not later than January 29, 2027, 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 for obligations existing not later than July 1, 2026, 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, 2026, in fiscal years 2028 and 2029.....$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 in 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 in section 2 of chapter 6A of the General Laws, including a 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 $275,000

1599-6903 For the fiscal year 2027 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 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 under section 2D; 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 2027, amounts that are necessary to meet these costs where the amounts otherwise available are insufficient for the purpose; 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 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 2, 2027, 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 said chapter 257, including, the: (i) state costs for rates promulgated as of July 1, 2026, delineated by regulation, department and program; (ii) state costs for rates promulgated as of January 1, 2027, deliniated by regulation, department and program; (iii) per cent of increase in state funding for rates to be reviewed between July 1, 2026 and June 30, 2027, delineated 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, 2026 and June 30, 2027, delineated by regulation, department and program; provided further, that not later than April 1, 2027, 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 to promote equitable salaries for human

services workers, direct care workers, nurses, clinicians or other comparable employees employed by state-operated human services providers and equitable rates paid to human service provider employees in community-based human services organizations funded by the executive office of health and human services, the executive office of aging and independence or the executive office of housing and livable communities; provided further, that the report shall include, but not be limited to: (a) 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) 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; (c) 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 United States Bureau of Labor Statistics for the commonwealth using the available data for that rate review; and provided further, that any human service provider receiving revenue under said chapter 257 shall use not less than 75 per cent of the funds received 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.....$175,000,000

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 $17,546,607

1750-0103 For the operation of the Training and Career Ladder Program $829,164

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 programs $5,846,319

1750-0119 For payment of workers' compensation benefits to certain former employees of Middlesex and Worcester counties; provided, that the human resources division shall routinely recertify the former employees under current workers' compensation procedures $53,548

1750-0300 For the commonwealth's contributions in fiscal year 2027 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 $37,979,800

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..... $752,345

Operational Services Division.

1775-0115 For the operational services division, which may expend not more than $15,691,630 in 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..... $15,691,630

1775-0124 For the operational services division, which may expend not more than $131,101 from revenues collected in the recovery of cost reimbursement and nonreimbursable 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 $131,101

1775-0600 For the operational services division, which may expend not more than $397,220 in 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.....$397,220

1775-0700 For the operational services division, which may expend not more than $1,000,000 in 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 in 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 and 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 use all existing available resources to provide certification services to all supplier diversity office qualified applicants, within or outside of the commonwealth, as applicable..... $4,649,617

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF VETERANS' SERVICES.

1410-0010 For the operation of the executive office of veterans' services; provided, that the secretary of veterans' services may transfer funds between items 1410-0010 and 1410-1700; and provided further, that not less than 30 days in advance of any such transfer, the secretary shall notify the house and senate committees on ways and means..... $12,469,749

1410-0012 For services to veterans, including the maintenance and operation of outreach centers; provided, that the 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 those 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 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 2026; provided further, that not

later than April 2, 2027, the executive office shall submit a comprehensive 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; and (ii) the cost and types of programs, including evidence-based or evidence-informed programs, offered to veterans; provided further, that not less than $2,500,000 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; and provided further, that not less than $150,000 shall be expended as a grant to the Veterans' Association of Bristol County, Inc. $9,482,339

1410-0013 For veterans' education, employment and training services and programs to expand employment, education and training support for veterans returning to the commonwealth including, but not limited to, the Veterans Coordinated Approach to Recovery and Employment program that supports unemployed or underemployed veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder to attain competitive employment $1,650,000

1410-0015 For the women veterans' outreach program $721,444

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 town of Winchendon and in the city known as the town of Agawam 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, 2028 ..... $760,000

1410-0024 For the training and certification of veterans' benefits and services officers $385,068

1410-0075 For the Train Vets to Treat Vets program; provided, that the executive office of veterans' services shall work in conjunction with 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 each veterans' homelessness service funded by this item in fiscal year 2026; provided further, that not later than April 2, 2027, the executive office shall submit a comprehensive report to the joint committee on veterans and federal affairs and the house and senate committees on ways and means, which shall include, but not be limited to, the: (i) list of veterans' homelessness services receiving funds through this account in the current fiscal year; (ii) amount of funding received by each veterans' homelessness service; (iii) number of veterans served annually by each veterans' homelessness service; and (iv) estimated percentage of homeless veterans receiving veterans' homelessness services per county in the current year; and provided further, that not less than $914,000 shall be expended to the Disabled American Veterans Department of Massachusetts Service Fund, Inc. to combat veteran homelessness by maintaining and operating 3 veterans homes and to provide counseling and benefits, including wrap-around assistance, to disabled veterans and their families.....$3,942,952

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 to 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 those cities and towns; provided further, that pursuant to 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 health care; 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 of the General Laws 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 provide the veteran, surviving spouse or dependent with 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 $85,049,082

1410-0630 For the administration of the veterans' cemeteries in the town of Winchendon and in the city known as the town of Agawam $1,567,538

1410-1616 For war memorials; provided, that not less than $250,000 shall be expended to the U.S.S. Massachusetts Memorial Committee, Incorporated for the maintenance and care of historic naval vessels.....$250,000

1410-1700 For the provision of information technology services within the executive office of veterans' services.....$4,749,739

Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts.

4180-0100 For the maintenance and operation of the Massachusetts Veterans Home in the city of Chelsea, including a specialized unit for the treatment of patients with Alzheimer's disease $45,464,230

4180-1100 For the maintenance and operation of the Massachusetts Veterans Home in the city of Chelsea in an amount not to exceed $500,000; provided, that 50 per cent of all revenues generated under section 2 of chapter 90 of the General Laws through the purchase of license plates with the designation VETERAN by eligible veterans of the commonwealth, after compensating the registry of motor vehicles for the costs associated with the license plates, shall be deposited into and for the purposes of this account; 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, prior appropriation continued $500,000

Soldiers' Home in Holyoke.

4190-0100 For the maintenance and operation of the Massachusetts Veterans Home in Holyoke; provided, that funds shall be expended for the operation of an ombudsman's office at the Massachusetts Veterans Home in Holyoke to act as an independent, impartial and confidential resource for the community $36,885,297

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

4190-0300 For the Massachusetts Veterans Home in Holyoke, which may expend not more than $2,400,001 for the operation of 12 long-term care beds from revenue generated through the occupancy of those 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 Massachusetts Veterans Home in Holyoke 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 $2,400,001

4190-1100 For the maintenance and operation of the Massachusetts Veterans Home in Holyoke in an amount not to exceed $500,000; provided, that 50 per cent of all revenues generated under section 2 of chapter 90 of the General Laws through the purchase of license plates with the designation VETERAN by eligible veterans of the commonwealth, after compensating the registry of motor vehicles for the costs associated with the license plates, shall be deposited into and for the purposes of this account; 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, prior appropriation continued $500,000

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 comptroller shall establish accounts and procedures as the comptroller deems necessary and appropriate 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 fund s for the project or purchase; provided further, that not later than June 23, 2027, the secretary of technology services and security shall submit to the office of 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, 2027, the executive office shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance, the office of 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) the number of personnel assigned to information technology services within each executive office; (iii) efficiencies that have been achieved from the sharing of resources; (iv) the status of the centralization of the commonwealth's information technology staffing, infrastructure and network and cloud hosting; (v) the status of the commonwealth's cybersecurity; and (vi) 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..... $3,647,090

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.....$53,892,963

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 $19,749,035

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 $4,250,000

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; provided further, that not later than March 3, 2027, the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means, which shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the number of personnel hired to support environmental justice initiatives; (ii) efforts to expand language access through verbal and written materials, including the languages in which environmental justice policy and materials have been translated; and (iii) the impact of language access initiatives on participation in public hearings and public comment periods; and provided further, that funds shall be expended on mapping technology to overlay environmental and public health data $4,000,000

2000-0120 For obligations of the commonwealth to neighboring states incurred pursuant to interstate compacts for flood control $506,140

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..... $21,855,267

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.....$17,446,355

2030-1004 For environmental police private details; provided, that the office of environmental law enforcement may expend not more than $650,000 in 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 2027 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 $18,973,830

2100-0013 For the operation of the transportation oversight division..... $970,861

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 2027 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..... $462,420

2100-0017 For the operation of the division of transportation network services established in section 23 of chapter 25 of the General Laws; provided, that the amount assessed under said section 23 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 $4,343,775

2100-5694 For the operation of the energy facilities siting division; provided, that the division may expend funds from this item for 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 $3,604,000

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 $50,371,172

2200-0102 For the department of environmental protection, which may expend not more than $650,148 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 $650,148

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 section 241 of chapter 43 of the acts of 1997.....$488,747

2200-0109 For the department of environmental protection to ensure sufficient staff for timely permit decisions and compliance assurance $2,471,257

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 to ensure sufficient staff for timely permit decisions and compliance assurance; provided, that if this item is eliminated or the amount herein is reduced in fiscal year 2027 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 chapter 21I of the General Laws, not more than $2,741,404 in revenues collected from fees, penalties, grants and tuition under said chapter 21I; provided, that not later than February 3, 2027, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the status of the department's progress in meeting the statutory and regulatory deadlines associated with said chapter 21I and detailing the number of full-time equivalent positions assigned to various implementation requirements of said chapter 21I; provided further, 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 $2,741,404

2220-2220 For the administration and implementation of the Clean Air Act under 42 U.S.C. 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 Climate Change Action Plan for reducing acid rain deposition and mercury emissions $766,721

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. 7401 et seq..... $1,384,924

2250-2000 For the administration and implementation of the Safe Drinking Water Act 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 $2,491,225

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 $15,081,628

2260-8872 For the brownfields site audit program $1,022,328

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 $386,897

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; provided further, that the amount and contribution from each division, office or program shall be determined by the commissioner; provided further, that the amount and contribution from each division, office or program shall be determined by the commissioner; and provided further, that the George L. Darey Inland Fisheries and Game Fund shall be reimbursed annually from the General Fund for all lost revenue attributed to the issuance of discounted and free hunting and fishing licenses.....$2,176,087

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; provided, that not less than $200,000 shall be expended as a grant to the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District to support the management of the Assawompset pond complex and contributing and interconnected watersheds within the region including, but not limited to, sedimentation, mitigation, design, permitting, water supply preservation and flood management efforts; and provided further, that not less than $60,000 shall be expended as a grant to Long Pond Association, Inc. in the town of Lakeville for the management and eradication of invasive weeds in Long Pond.....$5,086,042

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 the restoration of catadromous fish in the Connecticut and Merrimack river systems unless considered necessary by the division.....$18,490,988

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

2310-0300 For the operation of the natural heritage and endangered species program.....$1,221,735

2310-0306 For the hunter safety training program $581,485

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 wildland conservation 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 $1,004,529

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, 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; and provided further, that not less than $575,000 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 $9,514,242

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 $987,684

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 provide for the development of marine recreational fishing; provided, that the division may expend not more than $217,989 in revenues collected from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service's Sport Fish Restoration program funds and from the sale of materials that 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 an abundance of commercially-important invertebrate species in the commonwealth's waters, including a ventless lobster trap 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 $2,306,416

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 $300,000 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 $175,000 shall be expended for the apiary inspection program; provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for the invasive insects program; provided further, that not less than $250,000 shall be expended for a grant program to be administered by the department in consultation with the Massachusetts food policy council to support local food policy councils; provided further, that not less than $750,000 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 $10,870,309

2511-0103 For the costs associated with agricultural oversight of hemp and cannabis..... $1,007,137

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; provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended to Project Just Because, Inc.; and provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended to the MetroWest Food Collaborative to support food security initiatives.....$55,150,000

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.....$87,130

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 $7,235,707

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 its office of water resources; 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; 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.....$1,707,905

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 $1,619,905

2800-0500 For the existing maintenance, operational and infrastructure needs of the metropolitan beaches 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 $100,000 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; provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for the cleanup of Pilayella algae; provided further, that not less than $290,000 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; and provided further, that not less than $55,000 shall be expended for the maintenance of Red Rock park on Lynn Shore drive in the city of Lynn.....$1,460,231

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 the beaches, pools and spray pools shall remain open and staffed from Memorial Day to Labor Day, inclusive; provided further, that the 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 2026, shall continue to receive such benefits in fiscal year 2027 during the period of such 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..... $28,463,716

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 $780,817

2810-0100 For the operation of the division of state parks and recreation; provided, that funds 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 2026 shall be open in fiscal year 2027; 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 not more than $3,300,000 may be used to support the costs of snow and ice removal; provided further, that the department shall take steps to address personnel needs in a manner that is geographically equitable; provided further, that not later than January 29, 2027, 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 2027; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law, rule, regulation, or administrative directive to the contrary, the commissioner of conservation and recreation may fill not more than 1,300 full-time positions; and provided further, that not less than $350,000 shall be expended for a study, in consultation with the city of Boston and the town of Brookline, to evaluate and develop solutions to mitigate low water levels in the Muddy river $104,730,957

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 $3,132,611

2820-2000 For the operation of street lighting and the expenses of maintaining the parkways of the department of conservation and recreation..... $4,578,423

Department of Energy Resources.

7006-1001 For the Massachusetts residential conservation service program established in chapter 465 of the acts of 1980 and the Massachusetts commercial and apartment conservation service program established in section 11A of chapter 25A of the General Laws; provided, that the assessments levied for fiscal year 2027 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 $272,563

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 $7,066,535

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 waitlist management, program implementation and evaluation, reporting and policy development purposes; 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 such reports shall reflect current caseload and detailed assumptions on caseload cost in future months; provided further, that the 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 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 the commissioner of early education and care may transfer funds between said 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; and provided further, that not less than $200,000 shall be expended for People, Incoporated to support student transportation at its early education center in the city of Fall River.....$9,370,519

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 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 and early childhood mental health consultation services; provided further, that supports funded through this item may include, but shall not be limited to: (i) the development and purchase of curricula; (ii) the development and implementation of early childhood assessment systems; (iii) incentives for programs to recruit, develop and retain highly qualified educators; (iv) activities that encourage providers to obtain associate and bachelor's degrees; (v) payment of fees; (vi) direct assistance to programs seeking accreditation by agencies approved by the board of early education and care; and (vii) professional development courses; and provided further, that 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, notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, shall be expended by the school committee of such city, town or regional school district without municipal appropriation.....$48,165,758

3000-1045 For operational grants to child care providers; provided, that for fiscal year 2027, funds shall be distributed in accordance with the formula established in section 20 of chapter 15D of the General Laws; 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 such grants; provided further, that funds may be expended for departmental technical assistance related to the administration and distribution of the grants; and provided further, that funds may be expended to support data collection technology, personnel and supports related to this item.....$475,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund..... 78.95%
Early Education and Care
Operational Grant Fund..... 21.05%

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 not less than $500,000 shall be expended for a Stop Abuse For Every (SAFE) Child community pilot program to provide, coordinate and expand core services for families; 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 16, 2026, 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.....$1,993,205

3000-2060 For evidence-informed, 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; provided further, that initiatives supported through this item shall be administered by the Children's Trust Fund established in section 50 of chapter 10 of the General Laws and the office of the child advocate; and provided further, that not less than $150,000 shall be expended for Enough Abuse, Inc. to provide technical assistance to and training for schools and communities.....$2,165,019

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 in this item based on enrollment; provided further, that the department of early education and care shall, in collaboration with the department of children and families, 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 not less than 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 participants who are working or are engaged in an approved service need activity for up to 1 year after termination of their benefits; (iii) participants who are working or are engaged in an approved service need activity 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 not less than the minimum number of hours required by applicable 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 item 3000-4060, as necessary, under an allocation plan, which shall detail, by object class, the distribution of the funds to be transferred; provided further, that the commissioner shall provide notice to the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 30 days prior to

any such transfer; provided further, that not later than April 16, 2027, 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, 2027, 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 the 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 related to payments made by the department in prior fiscal years by reducing payments for services related to this item in fiscal year 2027; and provided further, that all children eligible for services under this item shall receive such services $597,233,977

General Fund 64.62%
Education & Transportation Fund 20.00%
High-Quality Early Education & Care Affordability Fund 15.38%

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 the commissioner of early education and care may transfer funds to this item from item 3000-3060, as necessary, pursuant to an allocation plan, which shall detail, by object class, the distribution of the funds to be transferred; provided further, that the commissioner shall provide notice 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

any such transfer; provided further, that not more than 3 per cent of the funds appropriated in this item may be transferred in fiscal year 2027 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 16, 2027, 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, 2027, 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; provided further, that reimbursements for services rendered in prior fiscal years may be expended from this item; provided further, that the department shall recoup funds owed related to payments made by the department in prior fiscal years by reducing payments for services related to this item rendered in fiscal year 2027; 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 $623,593,845

General Fund 65.27%
Education & Transportation Fund 20.00%
High-Quality Early Education & Care Affordability Fund 14.73%

3000-5000 For grants to head start programs; provided, that funds from this item may be expended on early head start programs $20,000,000

3000-6025 For grants in fiscal year 2027 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 2028; 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 16, 2027, 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 supported through this item, 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 funds from this item may be used to provide administrative support to grantees, including technical assistance and program evaluation; 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 may be expended for the Summer Step Up program to support children entering kindergarten and elementary school with academic and enrichment activities during the summer.....$28,450,000

Education and Transportation Fund 100.00%

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 funding may be used to

support programming and services to address mental health concerns including, but not limited to, outreach, training for educators to respond to mental health challenges, support for educators, including peer group support, and an expansion of current services; and 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.....$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 funds may be granted for performance-based workforce incentives and retention of home visiting personnel and for direct family support services; 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 priority for such services shall be given to low-income parents.....$18,116,603

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 avoidng costs in its capacity as the single state agency under Title IV, Part E, of the Social Security Act 42 U.S.C. chapter 7, subchapter IV, part E; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law 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 31, 2026 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 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 plus 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; and provided further, that the department may expend funds from this item on grants for supplemental services for children with individualized education plans $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

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

Office of the Secretary.

4000-0000 For the cost of transportation services for health and human services clients; provided, that the executive office of health and human services may transfer from the sum appropriated in this item to departments under the purview of the executive office for the sole purpose of providing transportation services to clients; provided further, that the executive office shall when practicable encourage the use of reduced fare programs provided by the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority and fare-free services provided by regional transit authorities organized under chapter 161B of the General Laws; provided further, that the executive office shall conduct a study of the quality of nonemergency transportation services coordinated by the human service transportation office; and provided further, that not later than February 5, 2027, the executive office shall submit a report to the joint committee on transportation, the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (i) the results of the study which shall include an evaluation of the safety, reliability and accessibility of the human service transportation system; (ii) recommendations for the improvement of the human service transportation system; (iii) a cost analysis of the recommendations; and (iv) strategies for enhancing feedback from consumers of services coordinated by the office..... $449,596,838

General Fund 77.76%
Commonwealth Transportation Fund..... 22.24%

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 available to those municipalities with the highest number of annual youth homicides and serious assaults as determined by the executive office; provided further, that funds may be set aside for the administration of these programs; and provided further, that not later than February 5, 2027, the executive office 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 2026..... $12,474,000

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 12, 2027, 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 receiving either prevention or rehousing services under this item, including total statewide numbers and numbers by region; (ii) the types of services received by participating youths; (iii) the number of youths who transition into stabilized housing after receiving prevention support; (iv) the number of youths who do not enter homelessness after receiving prevention support; (v) the number of youths who do not return to homelessness after being housed; (vi) other quantifiable data related to client outcomes as determined by the executive office; and (vii) the amount of funding awarded to vendors for the delivery of services and the names of each vendor $10,439,590

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 funds 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; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, not less than $500,000 shall be expended to establish a partnership incentive grant program between public higher educational institutions and health care providers to expand the nursing and allied health workforce; provided further, that the grant program shall support financial incentives to health care providers that partner with public higher educational institutions by offering clinical partnerships, the use of health care staff to teach courses and other innovative supports to increase the nursing and allied health workforce pipeline; provided further, that not less than $100,000 of said funds shall be expended to the College of Nursing and Health Sciences at the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth to partner with the Southcoast Hospitals Group, Inc. to develop and implement innovative strategies to increase the nursing and allied health workforce pipeline; provided further, that not later than March 5, 2027, 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-term 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; and provided further, that the report shall include details on the grant program including, but not limited to: (i) established grant criteria; (ii) a list of grant recipients, including grant amounts; and (iii) summaries of the successful grant proposals.....$1,125,000

4000-0050 For the operation of the PCA quality home care workforce council established in section 71 of chapter 118E of the General Laws.....$3,875,766

4000-0051 For the operation and support of the network of child and family service programs throughout the commonwealth, including family resource centers supported through this item and item 4800-0200; provided, that centers within this item shall: (i) be consistent with the requirements under section 16U of chapter 6A of the General Laws; (ii) demonstrate adherence to an evidence-based model of service; and (iii) use measurable outcomes to assess quality; provided further, that the executive office of health and human services shall maintain the fiscal year 2026 contract with a third-party administration service organization to oversee the execution of, and the agency's compliance with, subsection (b) of said section 16U of said chapter 6A; provided further, that not later than April 2, 2027, the executive office of health and human services shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance, the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities and the house and senate committees on ways and means, which shall include but not be limited to: (a) the number of children and families served at each center; (b) the types of programs; (c) program outcomes; (d) client feedback; and (e) progress on data sharing between centers; and provided further, that the network of child and family service programs shall coordinate with the executive office, the department of early education and care and municipal police departments to provide emergency assistance to missing or absent children at times when the juvenile court is not open, consistent with the requirements of section 39H of chapter 119 of the General Laws.....$500,000

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; 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 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) 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 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, 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 Social Security Act, 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 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 may continue to recover provider overpayments made in the current and prior fiscal years through the Medicaid Management Information System and any such 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 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 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 the report shall not identify the specific drugs, manufacturer identities or wholesale acquisition costs of individual drugs identified by the department; provided further, that not later than December 18, 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 detailing utilization in fiscal year 2026 of the Health Safety Net Trust Fund, established in section 66 of said chapter 118E, including the: (a) number of persons whose medical expenses were billed to the Health Safety Net Trust Fund; (b) total dollar amount billed to the Health Safety Net Trust Fund; (c) age, income level and insurance status of recipients using the Health Safety Net Trust Fund; (d) types of services paid for out of the Health Safety Net Trust Fund; and (e) amount disbursed from the Health Safety Net Trust Fund to each hospital and community health center; provided further, that not later than March 5, 2027, 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: (1) total spending related to pharmaceutical

utilization for fiscal year 2026; (2) estimated spending related to pharmaceutical utilization for fiscal year 2027; (3) the actual and estimated revenue amounts, both in the form of supplemental rebates and federal financial participation, received in fiscal year 2026 and in fiscal year 2027 as a result of total pharmaceutical spending; (4) total or projected savings amounts delivered from supplemental rebate negotiations in fiscal year 2027; and (5) the relative impact of price and utilization of pharmaceutical drugs added to the MassHealth drug list within fiscal year 2026 and fiscal year 2027; provided further, that not later than March 5, 2027, the executive office, 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 established in 101 CMR 350.04, 101 CMR 361 and 101 CMR 453, including: (A) 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 those wage rates resulting from increases in Medicaid rates paid to home health agencies for continuous skilled nursing care; (B) 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; (C) an aggregated breakdown of the wage rates as applied to the acuity level of patients receiving continuous skilled nursing care; (D) an aggregated breakdown of the wage rates as applied to the licensure level of the providers of continuous skilled nursing care; (E) state costs for wage rates promulgated in state fiscal years 2022 to 2026, inclusive, by regulation, department and program; (F) the fiscal impact of increases in state funding versus prior fiscal year actual costs for wage rates promulgated for state fiscal years 2022 to 2026, inclusive, delineated by regulation, department and program; and (G) 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 to compile the required report; provided further, that not less than $200,000 shall be expended for the turning 22 commission established in section 37; provided further, that not less than $1,500,000 shall be transferred to the Criminal Justice and Community Support Trust Fund established in section 2QQQQQ of chapter 29 of the General Laws for the continuation of a pilot program to establish a county

restoration center and program overseen by the restoration center commission in the former Middlesex county established in section 225 of chapter 69 of the acts of 2018 to divert persons suffering from mental illness or substance use disorder who interact with law enforcement or the court system during a pre-arrest investigation or the pre-adjudication process from lock-up facilities and hospital emergency departments to appropriate treatment; provided further, that not less than $650,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Consultation Service for Treatment of Addiction and Pain which shall be administered by the Massachusetts Behavioral Health Partnership to provide case management and care navigation support to assist health care facilities, individual practitioners and other health care providers including, but not limited to, nurse case managers, social workers and recovery coaches, in providing care and identifying community-based providers for referral for pain management and treatment of substance use disorder; provided further, that a total of $40,000,000 may be expended from items 4000-0700 and 4000-1426 during the fiscal year 2027 accounts payable period to pay for services delivered during fiscal year 2027; provided further, that the secretary of health and human services, with the written approval of the secretary of administration and finance, may authorize transfers of surplus among items 4000-0320, 4000-0430, 4000-0500, 4000-0601, 4000-0641, 4000-0700, 4000-0875, 4000-0880, 4000-0885, 4000-0940, 4000-0950, 4000-0990, 4000-1400, 4000-1420 and 4000-1426 for the purpose of reducing any deficiency in these items; provided further, that any such transfer shall be made not later than September 30, 2027; provided further, that any projected aggregate deficiency among these items shall be reported to the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 90 days before the projected exhaustion of funding; and provided further, that any unexpended balance in these accounts shall revert to the General Fund on June 30, 2027 ..... $155,439,918

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 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 unless such contracts received 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 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 such 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 executive office 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 the 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 executive office, in consultation with the comptroller, determines to be within the scope of the proper administration of said Title XIX of the Social Security Act and other federal funding provisions to support the programs and activities of the executive office; provided further, that such 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 $42,000,000 for state fiscal year 2027 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 18, 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 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 children shall be determined eligible for medical care and assistance if they meet the disability standards as defined by the executive office of health and human services; provided further, that such standards shall be no more restrictive than those in effect on July 1, 1996; 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; 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; and provided further, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to the recipients in prior fiscal years $327,948,284

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 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 funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to recipients in prior fiscal years; provided further, that not later than February 5, 2027, 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, sexual assault and domestic violence supports; provided further, that the summary shall include, to the maximum extent practicable, aggregated data on the results of preventative health care services, including 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 the summary shall include outcome measures for at-risk populations with chronic health conditions; and provided further, that not later than March 5, 2027, the executive office shall conduct and submit a comparative analysis to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on mental health, substance use and recovery 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 $6,051,261,716

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 notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the purposes of determining an individual's eligibility for the senior care options program, an individual shall be deemed to reach 65 years of age on the first day of the month in which their sixty-fifth birthday occurs; provided further, that nursing facility rates effective October 1, 2026 under section 13D of said chapter 118E shall be developed using the costs of calendar year 2023; provided further, that funds shall be expended from this item to maintain a per month individual personal needs allowance at a

level that shall be not less than the level established in fiscal year 2026 for individuals residing in nursing and rest homes who are eligible for MassHealth, emergency aid to the elderly, 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 15, 2027, MassHealth shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing, for fiscal year 2026, 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 executive office shall convene and consult with the personal care attendant program working group established in item 4000-0601 of section 2 of chapter 140 of the acts of 2024 to identify savings in addition to those identified in the November 28, 2025 report to effectuate a gross amount of spending for the personal care attendant program consistent with the appropriation for this item; provided further, that not later than 30 days after the effective date of this act, after convening said group, the executive office shall submit a report to the secretary of administration and finance and the house and senate committees on

ways and means detailing an implementation plan to ensure program spending is consistent with the appropriation for this item; provided further, that the executive office shall convene working groups to review the scope of services, eligibility thresholds and long term sustainability of the adult day health and adult foster care programs; provided further, that the executive office, in consultation with said working groups, shall identify a gross amount of savings consistent with the appropriation for this item; provided further, that not less than 30 days after the effective date of this act, after convening said groups, the executive office shall submit a report to the secretary of administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing implementation plans to ensure program spending is consistent with the appropriation for this item; provided further, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to recipients in prior fiscal years; 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 5, 2027, the executive office 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 the Health Safety Net Trust Fund to fund the Medicare Savings Program expansion.....$5,197,654,427

4000-0641 For nursing facility Medicaid rates; provided, that in fiscal year 2027, the executive office of health and human services, in consultation with the center for health information and analysis, shall establish rates that cumulatively total not less than $342,100,000 more than the annual payment rates established under the rates in effect as of June 30, 2002; provided further, that an amount for expenses related to the collection and administration of assessments under 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 ..... $650,073,456

4000-0700 For health care services provided to medical assistance recipients under the executive office of health and human services's 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 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 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 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 in fiscal year 2027, 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 in fiscal year 2027, 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 funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to recipients in prior fiscal years; 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 not less than $250,000 shall be expended to

Baystate Franklin Medical Center in the city of Greenfield to support its family medicine residency program; provided further, that not later than December 4, 2026, $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 executive office shall designate the Massachusetts League of Community Health Centers, Inc. to administer the funds and shall retain 5 per cent of the total funds; and provided further, that the executive office shall: (i) report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the use of the funds by teaching community health centers; and (ii) audit the centers in order to confirm the use of the funds by each center for training purposes..... $4,207,067,619

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 Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment Act of 2000, 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 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 subsidies provided to eligible individuals under the last paragraph of section 9 of said chapter 118E and section 16D of said chapter 118E; and provided further, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to those children and adolescents in prior fiscal years $633,207,250

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 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; 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; and provided further, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to those persons in prior fiscal years $34,042,020

4000-0940 For providing health care services related to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Public Law 111-148; provided, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided 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 2027, MassHealth shall maintain the same level of vision services that were in effect in fiscal year 2026 for members enrolled in the CarePlus program..... $3,363,484,382

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 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 the reports shall include, but not be limited to: (i) up-to-date results of the scheduled plan, including a schedule detailing commencement of services and associated costs by service type; (ii) an up-to-date 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 the executive office shall notify the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 30 days before any transfer of funds shall be made from this item; provided further, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to these persons in prior fiscal years; and provided further, that any unexpended balance in this item shall revert to the General Fund on June 30, 2027..... $337,639,537

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 to 18 years of age, inclusive; provided, that the executive office shall expend all necessary funds from this item to ensure the provision of this program under 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; 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; provided further, that the executive office shall maximize federal reimbursements for state expenditures made on behalf of the children; and provided further, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to those persons in prior fiscal years $42,600,000

4000-1400 For the provision of MassHealth benefits to persons diagnosed with human immunodeficiency virus who have 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 those persons in prior fiscal years $16,555,080

4000-1420 For payment to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services in compliance with Title XIX of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. chapter 7, subchapter XIX $721,675,586

4000-1426 For health care services provided to MassHealth members through the following MassHealth waivers approved under section 1915(c) of the 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 those waivers; and provided further, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to members participating in the waivers in prior fiscal years $560,464,089

4000-1700 For the provision of information technology services within the executive office of health and human services $183,495,208

Office for Refugees and Immigrants.

4003-0111 For the operation of the office for refugees and immigrants $993,777

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 or 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 non-citizens 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; and provided further, that funds may be expended for the programmatic and administrative support of the office's refugee and immigrant services $1,311,246

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 section 2 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..... $32,920,522

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; and provided further, that funds shall be expended for a pilot program of automated adverse event monitoring in hospitals in the commonwealth.....$5,642,287

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.....$2,143,271

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 $250,000 shall be expended for social workers, rehabilitation teachers and orientation and mobility instructors at the Massachusetts commission for the blind.....$7,772,782

4110-1010 For radio reading services for the blind and print disabled; provided, that not less than $150,000 shall be expended to each of the following service providers: (i) Audible Local Ledger, Inc.; (ii) Audio Journal, Incorporated; (iii) Berkshire Talking Chronicle; (iv) Lowell Association for the Blind, Inc.; and (v) Valley Eye Radio, Inc.; and provided further, that not less than $350,000 shall be expended for the Talking Information Center, Incorporated to provide human voiced broadcasts of local news, articles and items of interest to visually-impaired and otherwise disabled listeners $1,100,000

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 $18,320,678

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 $2,522,010

MassAbility.

4120-0200 For independent living centers; provided, that not later than April 1, 2027, MassAbility shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the services provided by independent living centers; and provided further, that the report 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 $8,500,000

4120-1000 For the operation of MassAbility; provided, that not less than 90 days prior to any changes to the current eligibility criteria, the commission shall provide written notification to the house and senate committees on ways and means $481,163

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 MassAbility, in making referrals to service providers, shall take into account a client's place of residence and the proximity of the nearest provider to the client's residence $29,194,031

4120-3000 For employment assistance services; provided, that vocational evaluation and employment services shall be provided for severely disabled adults $2,487,654

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 2026 under item 4120-4010 of section 2 of chapter 9 of the acts of 2025; provided, that not less than $1,920,000 shall be expended for assistive technology services $14,230,910

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

4120-4010 For the turning 22 program of MassAbility.....$311,166

4120-5000 For homemaking services.....$4,862,718

4120-6000 For services for individuals with head injuries.....$33,106,310

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.....$11,270,808

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 support 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 such transfer; and provided further, that not more than 7 per cent of any such item shall be transferred in fiscal year 2027.....$4,543,530

4200-0100 For supervision, counseling and other community-based services provided to committed youths in nonresidential care programs of the department of youth services.....$23,839,410

4200-0200 For pre-trial detention programs, including purchase-of-service and state-operated programs.....$27,079,432

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.....$120,184,480

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 $2,606,923

4200-0700 For evidence-based delinquency prevention through diversion programming that serves as an alternative to arresting or prosecuting youth through the juvenile court.....$1,660,615

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 executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means 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, 2027, 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 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 ..... $108,760,521

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 $900,000 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 provide funds from this item for a system to image and catalog eligibility documents electronically; provided further, that funds may be expended for supplemental nutrition assistance program outreach; and provided further, that not later than January 29, 2027, the department shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the status of these programs $5,762,115

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 organizations to develop community outreach strategies that ensure equitable access to, and knowledge of, the program; and provided

further, that not later than April 1, 2027, 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, including household size, age and racial demographic information; (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, delineated 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 $29,700,000

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 organizations 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 executive office of housing and livable communities shall make rental assistance under said item 7004-9024 available 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, 2027, the department of transitional assistance shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means, which shall include, by type of service or program provided, the: (i) housing situation, including the stability of housing, for program participants; (ii) employment status, including 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 ..... $4,950,000

4400-1025 For domestic violence specialists at local area offices $2,411,075

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.....$147,699,832

4400-1979 For the department of transitional assistance to administer, in consultation with the Commonwealth Corporation, an employment counseling and job training program established in section 3B of chapter 118 of the General Laws, the pathways to self-sufficiency program established in section 3C of said chapter 118 and the full employment program established in section 110 of chapter 5 of the acts of 1995 .....$980,171

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 2026 for the young parents program and the competitive integrated employment services program; provided further, that not less than $170,000 shall be provided for learning disability assessments through the University of Massachusetts; provided further, that not less than $200,000 shall be expended for the DTA Works internship program; provided further, that not less than $3,000,000 shall be expended for the service providers with whom the office for refugees and immigrants entered into service agreements in fiscal year 2026 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, 2027, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means, which shall include, 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 programs are effective in transitioning clients to employment and increasing self-sufficiency; and provided further, that the department shall consider other programs to meet transitional employment needs of clients.....$20,375,367

4403-2000 For a program of transitional aid to families with dependent children; provided, that the payment standard and need standard in fiscal year 2027 shall be not less than the standards in effect in fiscal year 2026; provided further, that the need standard shall be equal to the payment standard established under this item; provided further, that the payment standard and need standard for fiscal year 2028 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 paragraph (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 $500 shall be provided to each child eligible under this program in September 2026; provided further, that the children's clothing allowance shall be included in the standard of need for the month of September 2026; 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 pursuant to 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 departmental 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 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 of transitional assistance 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 notify 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 $1,000,000 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 those 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 detailing such 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 senate and house of representatives; and provided further, that the report shall include the text of the proposed changes and the basis and reasons for the proposed changes.....$437,259,755

4403-2007 For a nutritional benefit program for low-income workers; provided, that benefits shall be provided only to those for whom receiving such benefits will improve the work participation rate under the federal program of temporary assistance for needy families $11,000,000

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 $352,972

4403-2119 For the provision of structured settings pursuant to subsection (i) of section 110 of chapter 5 of the acts of 1995 or any successor law for parents under 22 years of age who are receiving benefits under the transitional aid to families with dependent children program $15,080,238

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 in section 7A of chapter 118A of the General Laws, may be paid from this item; provided further, that rates for residential care facilities and rest homes effective July 1, 2026, established in section 13D of chapter 118E of the General Laws, shall cumulatively total not less than rates effective January 1, 2026; 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 $186,937,185

4408-1000 For a program of cash assistance to certain residents of commonwealth, entitled emergency aid to the elderly, disabled and children to certain 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 a recipient shall not be subject to sponsor income-deeming or related restrictions; provided further, that in implementing the program for fiscal year 2027, the department shall include all eligibility categories authorized in this item and the need standard and payment standard shall be not less than the standard that was in effect in fiscal year 2026; 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, amend, or revise any rules and regulations necessary to implement this provision; provided further, that rates for residential care facilities and rest homes effective July 1, 2026, established in section 13D of chapter 118E of the General Laws, shall cumulatively total not less than rates effective January 1, 2026; provided further, that the department may provide benefits to persons 65 years of age 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 certain period of time as determined by department regulations and that substantially reduces or eliminates such individuals' capacity to support themselves and that has been verified by an appropriate authority, to certain persons caring for a disabled person, to otherwise eligible participants in the vocational rehabilitation program of MassAbility, 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 the separate program under said section 210 of said chapter 43; 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 a 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 United States 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 before 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 senate and house of representatives a detailed and comprehensive report setting forth the text of the proposed changes 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 by the changes and the department's most accurate assessment of the effects of benefit or eligibility changes upon recipient families; and provided further, that the payment standard and need standard for fiscal year 2028 shall be not less than the standards set forth in this item $204,024,252

OFFICE OF HEALTH SERVICES.

Department of Public Health.

4510-0020 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $967,597 in retained revenues collected from fees charged by the food protection program for costs of the 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 $967,597

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 in section 111B of chapter 111 of the General Laws $35,376,194

4510-0110 For community health center services; provided, that not less than $250,000 shall be expended for a statewide program of technical assistance to community health centers to be provided by a state primary care association qualified under 330A(f)(2) of the Public Health Service Act, as codified at 42 U.S.C. section 254b(l); provided further, that funds shall be expended for the Massachusetts State Loan Repayment Program in an amount not less than the amount expended in fiscal year 2026 contingent on the receipt of matching federal funds; and provided further, that not less than $600,000 shall be expended for the Ellie Fund, Inc. to partner with community health centers to educate providers, patients and families on the availability of breast cancer support services during the screening and diagnosis processes in culturally competent manners $6,218,222

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 in the Jamaica Plain section of the city of Boston; provided, that should a community health center decline funding, any unexpended funds shall be made available to participating centers or to expand the program to additional centers $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, evaluation of exposure to environmental contaminants and possible links with diseases, including cancer, indoor air quality inspections in public buildings, enforcement of the state sanitary code in multiple settings and the administration of the bureau of climate and environmental health 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 United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission; and provided further, that funds may be expended for the Argeo Paul Cellucci Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Registry established in section 25A of chapter 111 of the General Laws $9,140,974

4510-0615 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $2,300,888 from fees collected from licensing and inspecting users of radioactive material under licenses presently issued by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission; 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 $2,300,888

4510-0616 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $1,525,556 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 $1,525,556

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 department shall expend not less than $500,000 for the development and implementation of the mobile integrated health care program; 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 $17,515,596

4510-0712 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $6,071,402 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 $6,071,402

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 $4,140,620

4510-0723 For the operation and administration of the board of registration in medicine and the committee on acupuncture.....$190,234

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 CMR 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

4510-0811 For grants to 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, that not less than the amount allocated by the department of public health for each children's advocacy center in fiscal year 2026 shall be expended in fiscal year 2027; provided further, that the department shall allocate available funding above the amounts required to maintain not less than the prior fiscal year's 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; provided further, that not less than $1,050,000 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.; and provided further, that not later than January 29, 2027, 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 $5,500,000

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 proportionately to 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 such services; provided further, that the department shall ensure that at least the same level of services shall be made available as was available in the previous fiscal year; and provided further, that no funds from this item shall be expended for disease research in fiscal year 2027.....$31,652,943

4512-0106 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $65,194,869 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, 42 U.S.C. 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 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 amount 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.....$65,194,869

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 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 not less than $10,000,000 shall be expended for 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 to preserve and expand the programs currently funded by the Massachusetts Access to Recovery program; provided further, that funds shall be expended to support the operations of recovery centers funded by the department, including centers that serve gateway municipalities as defined under section 3A of chapter 23A of the General Laws; provided further, that funds shall be expended to improve training for the care of newborns with neonatal abstinence syndrome at hospital-based facilities that care for mothers and newborns, including the 10 level III neonatal intensive care units; provided further, that under section 236 of chapter 111 of the General Laws, 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 supportive case management services; provided further, that funds shall be expended to increase the number of residential rehabilitation services, with priority given to families, youth, transitional age youth and young adults; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the bureau to provide technical assistance and training to increase the number of providers and to support existing providers delivering culturally, ethnically and linguistically diverse services in communities of color; provided further, that funds shall be expended for a program to support multidisciplinary, team-based substance use services for adults with severe and persistent substance use disorder; 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 substance use and social services through a person-centered approach; and (c) not limit program services to a specific physical location; provided further, that funds shall be expended to procure additional family supportive housing programs across the commonwealth; provided further, that funds shall be expended to address the addiction treatment workforce crisis through outreach and recruitment efforts and support to complete trainings and

continuing education curriculum; provided further, that not less than $1,500,000 shall be expended to expand and develop the state's licensed alcohol and drug counselor workforce; provided further, that not less than $1,000,000 shall be expended for the purchase and distribution of naloxone; provided further, that not less than $125,000 shall be expended for a pilot program of public health-informed substance use disorder treatment services for individuals under supervision of the parole board, to be administered in consultation with the executive office of public safety and security; provided further, that the bureau shall contract with a community-based behavioral health provider to oversee and operationalize the pilot program; and provided further, that not less than $50,000 shall be expended for The Serenity House, Inc. $192,031,197

Marijuana Regulation Fund 74.83%
General Fund 25.17%

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 executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means; and provided further, that not later than October 1, 2026, 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 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 in 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 in section 131 of chapter 24 of the acts of 2021; provided, that not less $1,500,000 shall be made available to increase the availability of sterile and safe consumption equipment and syringe disposal services; provided further, that not less than $150,000 shall be expended for a program to provide access to fentanyl testing strips or other drug checking equipment; provided further, that funds shall be expended to promote programming to advance the creation of new supportive places for treatment and related observation that offer medical monitoring, nasal naloxone rescue kit distribution, counseling and connection to primary care, behavioral health and addiction treatment services; and provided further, that not later than March 2, 2027, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the status of implementing each program funded in this item.....$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

4512-2020 For a matching grant program to be administered by the department of public health to support municipal public safety reform; provided that funds shall be made available to municipalities pursuing public safety reforms and alternative investments to promote equitable public safety and public health outcomes; provided further, that eligible reforms and investments shall include, but not be limited to: (i) utilizing jail diversion programs, including restoration centers;

(ii) hiring de-escalation specialists or implementing de-escalation training; (iii) hiring behavioral health specialists or utilizing other behavioral health supports; (iv) training in evidence-based or evidence-informed mental health and substance use crisis response or alternative emergency response; and (v) hiring or contracting alternative emergency response professionals; provided further, that preference in awarding matching grants shall be given to municipalities posing alternative emergency responses conducted by unarmed community-based human service or behavioral or mental health providers who shall be unaccompanied by law enforcement but who may call on law enforcement as needed; provided further, that municipalities receiving matching grants shall demonstrate a measurable benefit to the public health for the residents of the municipality, based on criteria established by the department, and that the municipality is pursuing new practices or reforms, or expansion of prior successful practices, that support criteria established by the department; provided further, that prior to receiving matching grants, municipalities shall provide a comprehensive implementation plan to the department of proposed public safety reforms and investments; provided further, that the department shall give priority to applications that propose to invest a majority of grant funds with community-based human service, substance use disorder treatment, behavioral health or mental health providers; and provided further, that not later than March 2, 2027, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (a) a list of all municipalities that received matching funds; (b) the amount of matching funds awarded to each municipality; and (c) a description of the reforms and investments implemented in each municipality awarded matching funds, prior appropriation continued.....$1,000,000

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 2, 2027, the department shall submit a report to the joint committee on public health and the house and senate committees on ways and

means detailing the: (i) grant recipients, their locations and amount per recipient; and (ii) dates that funds were released to such recipients.....$15,000,000

4513-0999 For a public information campaign to educate and promote awareness to pharmacies and the public about an individual's eligibility to receive a 12-month prescription for contraceptives; 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.....$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 2, 2027, 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 grant applicants; and (c) a list of successful grant applicants, including the amounts awarded and the projects being supported by the awarded grants.....$1,960,200

4513-1002 For women, infants and children, or WIC, nutrition services in addition to funds received under the federal nutrition program administered by the United States Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service; 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.....$15,500,388

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 $13,812,418 shall be expended for family health services; provided further, that not less than $11,207,164 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 comprehensive family planning agencies; provided further, that funds shall be expended for

enhancing comprehensive family planning services currently funded or previously funded by Title X Family Planning funding; and provided further, that funds shall be expended for teenage pregnancy prevention services $25,036,673

4513-1012 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $29,200,000 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 $29,200,000

4513-1020 For the early intervention program; provided, that not later than February 2, 2027, the department of public health shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (i) the number of families served by the program; (ii) the amount of funds appropriated in this item granted to qualified families; and (iii) 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: (a) home visit; (b) center-based individual; (c) child-focused group; (d) parent-focused group; and (e) 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 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, 2027; 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; and provided further, that funds from this item shall be expended for interpretation services and translation supports to meet the linguistic and cultural needs of children and families enrolled in early intervention programs $38,269,649

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 executive office of aging and independence; 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 $14,393,198

4513-1027 For The Samaritans, Inc.; provided, that funds shall be used for suicide prevention services including, but not limited to, the operation and expansion of Hey Sam, the text-based mental health support line tailored specifically to youth and young adults, and for youth mental health community education, outreach and communications $1,000,000

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 not less than $100,000 shall be expended to Survivors Say, Inc. for direct support services to survivors and victims of high-profile tragedies and other traumas and crimes $300,000

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 expended for the comprehensive dental program for adults with developmental disabilities; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the promotion of health and disease prevention; provided further, that funds shall be expended for Mass in Motion community grants in an amount that shall not be less than the amount expended in fiscal year 2026, contingent upon receipt of matching federal prevention block grant funds; provided further, that funds shall be expended for smoking prevention and cessation programs, including youth tobacco use prevention and cessation programs; and provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for the operation of the Cranberry Health Research Center at the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth $12,295,532

4513-1136 For sexual assault and domestic violence services; provided, that not less than $8,937,298 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 funds shall be expended for domestic violence and sexual assault prevention and survivor services including, but not limited to: (i) intimate partner abuse education, formerly known as the batterers intervention services; (ii) services for immigrants and refugees; (iii) rape crisis center survivor services and prevention information; and (iv) 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 assault and domestic violence victims and their children, 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 2027; 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 the 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 and other community-based or school-based organizations to develop evidence-based and outcome-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 not more than 25,000; and provided further, that not less than $75,000 shall be expended to RIA, Inc. for the survivor-directed housing program and peer mentorship $83,982,343

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, 2027, the department of public health shall submit a 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 not less than $1,000,000 shall be expended by the department for a public awareness campaign to promote the awareness and availability of behavioral health services; provided further, that the public awareness campaign shall partner with relevant advocacy organizations, employers, institutions of higher education and community-based organizations to ensure that the campaign reaches the populations that are most at risk of encountering existing barriers to behavioral health services; provided further, that not less than $500,000 shall be expended for a pipeline program to establish a culturally, ethnically and

linguistically diverse mental health worker pipeline between acute care hospitals and freestanding psychiatric facilities and local colleges; provided further, that the department shall designate the Massachusetts Health and Hospital Association, Inc. to administer the program; provided further, that the department 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) the partners in the program; (b) a demographic and geographic profile of the students served in the program; (c) a summary of post-program employment or continuing education of participating students; and (d) any budgetary recommendations on ways to further expand the program; provided further, that not less than $5,000,000 shall be expended to community health centers to support the allied health workforce; provided further, that for the purpose of this item, a community health center shall be defined as any entity receiving funding pursuant to 42 U.S.C. section 254(b); provided further, that funds shall be used for workforce supports including, but not limited to, loan repayment, workforce development programs, pipeline initiatives and retention payments; provided further, that workforce supports shall prioritize the recruitment and retention of a culturally and linguistically diverse workforce; and provided further, that payments shall be allocated to community health centers based on financial need $10,034,773

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 by this item; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the operation of the universal immunization program; and 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.....$28,903,456

4516-1005 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $1,097,107 from the 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.....$1,097,107

4516-1010 For state matching funds required by the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act, Public Law 109-417.....$1,518,847

4516-1022 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $364,592 from the 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 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 $500,424 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 $500,424

4518-0200 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $2,411,409 from 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 any person requesting a verification of birth to establish eligibility for Medicaid from the payment of a fee; 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 $2,411,409

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 school; provided further, that funds shall be expended for school nurses and school-based health center programs; provided further, that funds may be expended to pay for nurse salaries for more than 3 school years; 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 $21,975,010

4590-0912 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $35,164,866 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 $35,164,866

4590-0913 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $1,578,230 for payments received for 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 $1,578,230

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; provided further, that Tewksbury hospital shall maintain the same number of beds in fiscal year 2027 as it maintained in fiscal year 2026; and provided further, that the department of public health shall expend not less than $600,000 to municipalities hosting a department of public health facility that also acts as a department of mental health continuing care facility and which does not also operate as a department of correction facility.....$256,517,079

4590-0917 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $5,283,806 from payments received from the vendor managing health services for state correctional facilities for incarcerated persons receiving medical services 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 contract 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 $5,283,806

4590-0918 For the state office of pharmacy services, which may expend not more than $43,065,614 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.....$43,065,614

4590-0924 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $2,311,959 from reimbursements collected by Tewksbury hospital based on a revenue enhancement project to obtain Medicaid coverage for patients whose services are not 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.....$2,311,959

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 the program; and provided further, that the department shall grant not less than 85 per cent of the 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.....$625,000

4590-0930 For price reductions for municipalities purchasing naloxone through the municipal naloxone bulk purchase program.....$1,501,157

4590-1503 For statewide support services for maternal, child and family health activities for pregnant people, parents, caregivers, infants, children and youth, including those with special health needs to maintain the public health infrastructure necessary to promote racially equitable, evidence-based, data-informed and family-engaged services and programs; provided, that not less than $10,840,965 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; provided further, that not less than $386,000 shall be expended for universal newborn hearing screening and perinatal-neonatal quality improvement; provided further, that not less than $1,000,000 shall be expended for a doula certification program; provided further, that not less than $350,000 shall be expended for the operations of and hiring additional personnel for the Massachusetts maternal mortality and morbidity review committee to enhance the committee's ability to comprehensively review deaths and complications that occur during or within 1 year of pregnancy and make related remedial policy and practice recommendations; provided further, that the committee shall convene regularly to encourage consistent case review and reporting of findings and recommendations; provided

further, that the department of public health shall submit to the committee, in a timely manner, aggregated and patient-level maternal morbidity and mortality data for review and utilization in developing recommendations to improve perinatal and maternal health outcomes; provided further, that not later than March 2, 2027, the committee shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the joint committee on public health, the house and senate committees on ways and means, the pregnancy and birth equity task force of the Massachusetts caucus of women legislators and the commission on the status of women; provided further, that not less than $1,000,000 shall be expended to support the development and operation of freestanding birth centers to cover costs including, but not limited to, facility costs, start-up expenditures and the cost of providing full prenatal care and extensive postpartum care; provided further, that funds shall be issued through a competitive grant process; provided further, that freestanding birth centers and maternal health-centered community-based nonprofit organizations shall be eligible to apply for the funds, which shall include a requirement that a birth center be licensed or be in active pursuit of licensure; provided further, that priority for funding shall be given to birth centers that serve communities historically impacted most by inequities in maternal health including, but not limited to, high rates of maternal and infant mortality; and provided further, that not less than $220,000 shall be expended for grants to community-based organizations to address mental health conditions and substance use disorders for perinatal individuals consistent with section 16GG of chapter 6A of the General Laws $18,968,353

4590-1504 For a neighborhood-based gun and violent crime prevention program for targeted work with out-of-school youth and young adults aged 17 to 24, inclusive, to prevent gun violence and other violent crimes in neighborhoods and municipalities with the highest rates of violent crime; 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 2, 2027, 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 program $10,107,331

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; provided further, that funds shall be considered one-time; and provided further, that grants shall not annualize in fiscal year 2028 ..... $4,001,578

4590-1507 For matching grants to the Massachusetts Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs, Inc., the Alliance of Massachusetts YMCAS, Inc., the

YWCA organizations, nonprofit community centers and teen empowerment and youth development programs; provided, that the department shall award not less than $2,550,000 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; provided further, that the department of public health shall award not less than $1,800,000 to the Alliance of Massachusetts YMCAS, Inc., which shall be distributed among the alliance's member organizations; provided further, that the department shall award not less than $2,200,000 to the Massachusetts Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs, Inc., the first $2,000,000 of which shall be distributed equally among its member organizations; and provided further, that the department shall provide not less than $650,000 to the YWCA, which shall be distributed equally between the Alliance of YWCAS' organizations in the commonwealth $7,200,000

4590-2001 For the department of public health, which may expend not more than $4,489,890 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 $4,489,890

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 no funds shall be expended from this item for the compensation of unit 8 employees; provided further, that the department 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 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 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 shall maintain a timely, independent and fair administrative hearing system; provided further, that not later than November 20, 2026, and February 26, 2027, the department shall submit reports to the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities and the house and senate committees on ways and means which shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the fair hearing requests filed in fiscal year 2027, 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 or the hearing officer, 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 2027 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 decision of the agency; provided further, that the department 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: the date of the request, the date of the hearing decision, the decision rendered by the hearing officer and the final decision rendered by the commissioner of children and families after 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 shall not make available any information in violation of federal privacy regulations; provided further, that not later than February 26, 2027, the department shall submit a report to the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities and the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to, the: (1) number of medical and psychiatric personnel currently employed by or under contract with the department, with their level of training; (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 number of corrective action plans issued; and (6) number of corrective action plans entered into by the department; provided further, that the department shall submit quarterly reports to the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities and the house and senate committees on ways and means 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 child remains in placement beyond that which is medically necessary; (D) the number of children in the department's care and custody who are receiving medical or psychiatric care 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 amount 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, detailing spending by the type of service provided 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 shelter; (J) for each area office, the number of requests for voluntary services, delineated 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, delineated 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 29, 2027, the department shall submit a report to the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities and the house and senate committees on ways and means 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 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 authorized 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 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 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 to this item to maintain appropriate staffing ratios under the memorandum of agreement between the commonwealth and the Alliance/Local 509, SEIU executed on March 25, 2013; provided further, that not less than 15 days before 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 the funds from said item 4800-1100 shall be transferred in fiscal year 2027; 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 before 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 2027; 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; and provided further, that not later than January 15, 2027, the department 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: (aa) number of young adults as defined in said section 21 of said chapter 119 who are continuing to receive services from the department as set forth in said subsection (f) of said section 23 of said chapter 119, by each area office of the department; and (bb) total cost of such services $156,448,247

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 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 $5,585,836

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 $19,174,028

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 prevention programs and services for people at risk of domestic violence, including payroll costs; 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; provided further, that not less than 30 days before making each such reform, the department shall provide an assessment of the racial impact of such reform, including whether it is likely to have a disproportionate or unique impact on racial and ethnic minorities in the commonwealth; provided further, that such assessment shall be submitted 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 senate and house of representatives; provided further, that not less than $250,000 shall be expended for the Tempo program at the Wayside Youth and Family Support Network, Inc; and provided further, that the department may contract with provider agencies for the coordination and management of services, including flex services.....$343,431,153

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 $129,614,767

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 $450,734,746

4800-0058 For the support of a foster care campaign to recruit new foster parents; provided, that not later than April 2, 2027, the department of children and families shall submit a report to the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities and the house and senate committees on ways and means 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 used by the department to recruit foster care parents.....$965,250

4800-0091 For the department of children and families, which may expend not more than $5,142,531 in federal reimbursements received under Title IV-E of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 670 et. seq. during fiscal year 2027 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 $5,142,531 shall be credited to the General Fund $5,142,531

4800-0200 For the support and maintenance of family resource centers throughout the commonwealth; provided, that funds may be expended to expand services at existing centers or to establish new centers in areas with identified coverage gaps; provided further, that centers supported through this item shall be subject to the selection and reporting requirements of item 4000-0051; and provided further, that not less than $3,300,000 shall be expended for the Juvenile Court Mental Health Advocacy Project for kids administered by Health Law Advocates, Inc. to increase access to mental health treatment for at-risk children and adolescents involved in or diverted from juvenile courts.....$35,000,000

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.....$320,870,628

OFFICE OF HEALTH SERVICES.

Department of Mental Health.

5011-0100 For the operation of the department of mental health; provided, that not less than $1,200,000 shall be expended to Mass211, Inc. to support continued staffing growth; and provided further, that not less than $75,000 shall be expended to the Mental Health Collaborative for service expansion $37,772,029

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 those services, the commissioner of mental health may allocate funds from 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 the department shall maintain the same number of intensive residential treatment programs and clinically intensive residential treatment programs as were maintained in fiscal year 2026; provided further, that the department shall expend not less than $3,875,000 for the Massachusetts Child Psychiatry Access Program, 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 15, 2027, 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 2026 and fiscal year 2027; 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; provided further, that not later than April 1, 2027, 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 2027 and fiscal year 2028; provided further, that not less than $4,700,000 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 activities 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 federal 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 shall prioritize geographic equity in administering the program; provided further, that not later than April 1, 2027, the department shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the: (I) funds distributed through the program, delineated by recipient; (II) number of new programs created with those funds, delineated by recipient, location, number of individuals served and ages of individuals served; and (III) projected need for the creation of new programs in the next fiscal year; and provided further, that not less

than $6,000,000 may be expended for the department's emergency room diversion initiative to stabilize youth in crisis.....$136,668,638

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 3, 2027, 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 2027; provided further, that in fiscal year 2027, the department shall expend on clubhouses not less than the amount expended on clubhouses in fiscal year 2026; provided further, that funds shall be expended for rental subsidies for the department's clients; provided further, that not less than $19,000,000 shall be expended for the jail diversion program; provided further, that funds shall be expended at not less than the same level as the prior fiscal year for jail diversion programs in municipalities that provide equal matching funds from other public or private sources; provided further, that not later than March 2, 2027 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; provided further, that the department shall expend not less than $250,000 for the assisted outpatient treatment program at Eliot Community Human Services, Inc. to treat residents who suffer from serious and persistent mental illness and experience repeated interaction with law enforcement or have a high rate of recurring hospitalization due to mental illness, either through a voluntary agreement with the resident or by a court order mandating that the resident receive the treatment described in this program; and provided further, that $19,000,000 may be expended for the department's emergency room diversion initiative to stabilize adults in crisis.....$694,776,424

5046-2000 For homelessness services.....$27,421,425

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 the CHOICE program shall be expended for the routine maintenance and repair of its facilities.....$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 $22,035,764

5055-0000 For forensic services provided by the department of mental health $17,518,309

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., 527 U.S. 581 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 has been met: (i) the client has been 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 2027; provided further, that of those 671 beds, not less than 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.....$395,160,989

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 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; and provided further, that not less than $200,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Down Syndrome Congress, Inc. $107,462,218

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 2025 under item 5920-5000 of section 2 of chapter 140 of the acts of 2024; provided further, that not later than March 2, 2027, the department of developmental services shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the use of shared-living services 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 which 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; and provided further, that not more than $5,000,000 shall be transferred from this item in fiscal year 2027 ..... $2,067,501,853

5920-2003 For supportive technology and remote services for individuals served by the department of developmental services $5,227,910

5920-2010 For state-operated, community-based residential services for adults, including community-based health services $372,259,320

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, 2027, the department shall submit a report to the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing: (i) the number of eligible individuals employed in community-based employment in fiscal year 2026 and the number estimated for fiscal year 2027; (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 $313,470,092

5920-3000 For respite services and intensive family supports $131,417,406

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 the waiver; provided further, that the department shall immediately file any waiver amendment that may be necessary with the Centers for Medicare

and Medicaid Services to comply with the requirements of this item; provided further, that not later than January 19, 2027, 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 to be 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 $7,907,222

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 $102,467,129

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, 2027, 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, which shall include, but not be 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 2028 and 2029; and (e) recommendations for enhancing the care of individuals with developmental disabilities who are aging.....$98,010

5920-5000 For services to clients of the department who turn 22 years of age during fiscal years 2026 and 2027 .....$110,347,273

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 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 which 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 March 2, 2027, 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; (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.....$134,334,811

BOARD OF LIBRARY COMMISSIONERS.

7000-9101 For the operation of the board of library commissioners.....$2,093,985

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 CMR 2.00; 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.....$19,380,000

7000-9402 For the talking book library at the Worcester public library $726,181

7000-9406 For the Perkins Braille and Talking Book Library in the city of Watertown, including the operation of the machine lending agency.....$4,134,510

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 in which 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 in the second paragraph of section 19A of chapter 78 of the General Laws for fiscal year 2027 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 in 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 $20,400,000

7000-9506 For the technology and automated resource sharing networks.....$6,296,144

7000-9508 For the Massachusetts Center for the Book, Inc., chartered as the commonwealth affiliate of the National 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.....$428,400

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; provided, that not less than $250,000 shall be expended as a grant to the SouthCoast Community Foundation, Inc. to provide supports to local or regional community-based organizations; and provided further, that not less than $30,000 shall be expended to the MetroWest Nonprofit Network, Inc. for a nonprofit management certificate program.....$5,663,815

7002-0017 For the provision of information technology services within the executive office of economic development $2,372,882

7002-0032 For the operation of the Massachusetts Technology Park Corporation established in section 3 of chapter 40J of the General Laws and doing business as the Massachusetts Technology Collaborative, including the John Adams Innovation Institute $5,000,000

7002-0040 For a transfer to the growth capital division at the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency established in section 2 of chapter 23G of the General Laws for the small business technical assistance grant program; 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; 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; and provided further, that not later than January 29, 2027, the growth capital division at the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on community development and small businesses detailing the: (i) community development corporations that received grants in fiscal year 2026; (ii) community development corporations that received or are expected to receive grants in fiscal year 2027; and (iii) criteria considered in the distribution of these grants $4,950,000

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 $1,899,868

7006-0043 For the office of consumer affairs and business regulation, which may expend not more than $1,097,747 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..... $1,097,747

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 $28,468,367

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 the division may expend from the revenue received under said chapter 255F an amount to be determined 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.....$16,708,706

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 and 176G of the General Laws, as provided under section 7A of chapter 26 of the General Laws.....$1,144,857

7006-0030 For the operation of pharmacy benefit manager regulation, oversight and licensure under the division of insurance pursuant to section 2 of chapter 176Y of the General Laws $989,339

Division of Occupational Licensure.

7006-0040 For the operation and administration of the division of occupational licensure..... $12,718,516

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 $20,149,541 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 fewer 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 as reported in the state accounting system $20,149,541

Division of Standards.

7006-0060 For the operation of the division of standards $1,860,050

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 $903,561 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 $903,561

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 2027 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..... $3,551,523

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 in 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 and for marketing and promoting the commonwealth in order to attract and retain targeted businesses and industries; provided, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for South Eastern Economic Development Corporation to support its lending and technical assistance programs for small businesses; and provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for training or programming at the Center for Women & Enterprise.....$1,742,715

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.....$1,411,960

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 January 29, 2027, 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 $4,700,000

Massachusetts Marketing Partnership.

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

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 the technical and trade fields to retrain and expand 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; and provided further, that not later than December 15, 2026, the executive office of labor and workforce development shall submit a report to the joint committee on labor and workforce development and the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) a list of vocational-technical schools that are operating career technical institutes; (ii) the amount of funding each vocational-technical school will receive under this item; (iii) the number of students served by career technical institutes, including technical institutes established in chapter 74 of the General Laws and the number of adult learners participating in industry recognized credentialing pathways at each vocational-technical school, delineated by training program; and (iv) the employment outcomes of the graduates of the training programs $8,898,244

General Fund 66.41%
Gaming Economic Development Fund..... 33.59%

7003-0100 For the operation of the executive office of labor and workforce development.....$2,352,440

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; and provided further, that not later than January 29, 2027, 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 $20,446,536

7003-0150 For the operation of a re-entry workforce development and supportive services program for formerly incarcerated persons, targeted at individuals transitioning from a house of correction or the department of correction; provided, that funds shall be used for: (i) job training for formerly incarcerated persons 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; and provided further, that not later than April 1, 2027, the executive office of labor and workforce development 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 $2,450,250

Gaming Economic Development Fund..... 100%

7003-0151 For the purposes of expanding registered apprenticeships including, but not limited to, in the priority manufacturing, health care and information technology industries $3,333,577

Department of Economic Research.

7003-0105 For the operation of the department of economic research..... $780,308

Department of Labor Standards.

7003-0152 For the operation of the division of apprenticeship standards $360,324

7003-0200 For the operation of the department of labor standards $4,747,296

7003-0201 For the department of labor standards, which may expend not more than $454,428 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 $454,428

Department of Labor Relations.

7003-0900 For the operation of the department of labor relations $3,741,076

7003-0902 For the operation of the joint labor management committee for municipal police and fire $350,000

Department of Career Services.

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; provided further, that $500,000 of these funds shall be matched by private organizations; provided further, that the Commonwealth Corporation shall partner with the school-to-career connecting activities program at the department of elementary and secondary education to develop appropriate connections between the 2 programs; and provided further, that funds shall be available for expenditure through September 1, 2027, prior appropriation continued.....$15,365,000

Gaming Economic Development Fund..... 100%

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

Gaming Economic Development Fund..... 100%

7003-0608 For the 1199SEIU Training and Upgrading Fund to deliver innovative worker training for eligible health care workers to improve 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.....$2,012,922

7003-0803 For the operation of the one-stop career centers.....$7,927,586

Gaming Economic Development Fund..... 100%

7003-1206 For the Massachusetts Service Alliance, Inc., to administer state service corps grants and provide training and support to volunteer and service organizations.....$1,369,140

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 nontraditional 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 29, 2027, 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 $23,822,988

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HOUSING AND LIVABLE COMMUNITIES.

7004-0001 For the operation of the commission on Indian affairs $157,954

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, 7004-9019 and 7004-9020 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 if an applicant or tenant fails 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 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'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 not later than September 15, 2026, 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 homelessness 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 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 has maintained office locations as of January 1, 2026 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 local 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 1, 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, for each local office: (i) the municipality in which each office is located; (ii) the ways in which applicants may 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 which 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 the information shall be provided in a manner that meets all applicable federal and state privacy and security requirements $21,785,301

7004-0100 For the operations of the homeless shelter and services unit, including the compensation of caseworkers and support personnel $27,275,914

7004-0101 For certain expenses of the emergency housing assistance program under section 30 of chapter 23B of the General Laws; provided, that eligibility shall be limited to families with incomes at or below 115 per cent of the 2026 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 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 that 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 in 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 in 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; and (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 in 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 such alternative feasible 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 the 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 may be set forth in executive office regulations in effect in fiscal year 2027; 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 3 years of age 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 3 years of age; provided further, that the executive office may require identity and custody verifications needed to ensure the safety of children prior to placement into shelter; 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, the applicant's: (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 further, 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 further, 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 house and senate committees on ways and means, the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities and the clerks of the senate and house of representatives 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 with the most recently available monthly data, including data on the race and ethnicity of all families where available and applicable and 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 notwithstanding whether a formal application has been completed or whether the contact was 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 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 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 nonentry 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 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 preceding 1, 2 and 3 years; (M) the number of children served under this item delineated by age; (N) the number of applications and requests from households that became homeless within 12 months of depleting their HomeBASE 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 the 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 preceding 6-month period; and (IV) the standards used to determine a substantial health and safety risk; provided further, that the 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, noncarpeted 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 a 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.....$258,635,648

7004-0102 For the homelessness program to assist individuals who are homeless or in danger of becoming homeless, including assistance to organizations which 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 the executive office of housing and livable communities may allocate funds to other agencies for the program; provided further, that no funds shall be expended for costs associated with the Homelessness 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; and (iv) the date upon which each contract was executed; provided further, that the full amount appropriated in this item shall be allocated to contracted service providers; and provided further, that programs currently providing shelter may, with the approval of the executive office and the host municipality, renegotiate how to use the program's shelter fund to provide alternative services proven to be effective, including housing first models, transitional housing and diversion away from shelters $114,036,718

7004-0104 For the Home and Healthy for Good program operated by Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance to reduce 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 Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance shall be solely responsible for the administration of this program; provided further, that not less than $500,000 shall be expended to the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance for promotion, resource development and technical assistance related to the creation of permanent supportive housing for persons with disabilities who are experiencing homelessness and other solutions to homelessness; and provided further, that not later than February 26, 2027, the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance shall submit a report to the clerks of the senate and house of representatives, the executive office of housing and livable communities, the joint committee on housing and the house and senate committees on ways and means 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 $8,890,000

7004-0105 For permanent supportive housing units to house individuals experiencing homelessness and mitigate overcrowding in homeless shelters; provided, 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 of section 2 of chapter 24 of the acts of 2021; and provided further, that

not later than February 26, 2027, 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 $10,072,875

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 that may be established pursuant to this item, for a subsequent 12-month period to eligible families; provided further, that not less 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 as 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; 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 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 as a condition of continued eligibility for assistance under this program; 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: the Berkshire Housing Development Corporation; Central Massachusetts Housing Alliance, Inc.; Community Teamwork Inc.; the Housing Assistance Corporation; the Franklin county regional housing and redevelopment authority; Way Finders, Inc.; Metropolitan Boston Housing Partnership, Inc., d/b/a Metro Housing Boston; the Lynn Housing Authority and Neighborhood Development; the South Middlesex Opportunity Council, Inc.; NeighborWorks 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 these 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, 2026, the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the clerks of the senate and house of representatives 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; and (iv) total number of families receiving benefits under item 7004-0101 that have received assistance under item 7004-0108 during the previous 1, 2 and 3 years, including available demographic information; provided further, that the executive office shall expend funds under item 7004-0108 on families residing in temporary emergency shelters and family residential treatment or sober living programs under items 4512-0200 and 4513-1136 if said families otherwise meet all eligibility requirements applicable to emergency shelter under item 7004-0101, except that, solely for the purposes of this item, the fact that a family is residing in a temporary emergency domestic violence shelter under item 4513-1136 or in a family residential treatment or sober living program under 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; 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.....$82,322,001

7004-0110 For diversion of homeless families from emergency assistance shelters; provided, that services shall be targeted to families who are either eligible for the emergency housing assistance program under 7004-0101, or likely to become eligible for services under 7004-

0101, according to guidance developed by the executive office of housing and livable communities.....$7,500,000

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 January 29, 2027, 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; and (iii) types of programs implemented $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; and provided further, that not less than $200,000 shall be expended for 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 state-aided public housing; provided, that the executive office shall distribute funding for resident service coordinators in a geographically equitable manner; and provided further, that funding shall be made available for resident service coordinators that serve multiple smaller housing authorities $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 the executive office of housing an livable communities may expend funds appropriated under this item for deficiencies caused by certain reduced rentals which 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 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 2027 and 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; provided further, that no employee of a housing authority shall simultaneously be an elected executive officer within the same municipality in which the authority is located; 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.....$117,810,000

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 such information technology platform, shall collaborate and coordinate with housing authorities to ensure equitable and effective systems $1,269,215

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 nonrenewal of project-based rental assistance contracts; provided further, that the executive office 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 as a condition of continued eligibility for vouchers and voucher payments; 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 a household receiving assistance with a project-based voucher shall pay 30 per cent of its monthly net income towards gross rent, with gross rent defined as the contract rent plus an amount allowed by the executive office for tenant-paid utilities, except that the 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 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; 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 a mobile voucher shall be equal to the gross rent less the required household payment; provided further, that for a household receiving a mobile voucher under this item, 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 a mobile voucher chooses a unit with gross rent exceeding the payment standard, at the time the household initially leases that unit with a mobile voucher, the total amount that the household may be required to pay toward 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 leases a unit with their mobile voucher; provided further, that households receiving mobile vouchers 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 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 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 any housing authority, at the authority's 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 at risk of displacement by public action through no fault of their own; provided further, that not later than December 1, 2026, 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 are required to 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, 2026; (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; and (x) obstacles faced by the executive office 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 $278,341,728

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 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 unless the executive office implements a payment standard or utility allowance for the program, each household may be required to pay not less than 25 per cent of its net income as defined in 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 shall not be exceeded by payments for rental assistance and administration; provided further, that the executive office shall not enter into commitments which 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 15, 2026, 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.....$19,263,183

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 in items 8000-0655 and 8900-1100 and nonprofit reentry programs serving participants returning to the community from a county correctional facility or state prison; provided further, that the executive office of housing and livable communities shall establish the amount of such subsidies so that executive office spending does not exceed the amount appropriated; provided further, that not less than $120,000 shall be expended for

a kinship reentry pilot program to be administered in coordination with the department of correction; and provided further, that not later than June 30, 2027, the executive office of housing and livable communities, in consultation with the department of correction, shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means, which shall include but not be limited to: (i) the number of participants in the pilot program; (ii) the counties of participants served; and (iii) the purposes for which funds have been distributed to support family members in welcoming and assisting individuals reentering society, prior appropriation continued.....$3,120,000

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 $3,651,122 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 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.....$3,651,122

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 the 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 the 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 2026 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 the 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 such options for income verification listed clauses (a) to (c), inclusive; 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, delineated 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; and 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.....$201,205,991

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF EDUCATION.

Office of the Secretary.

7009-1700 For the operation of information technology services within the executive office of education.....$28,086,218

7009-6379 For the operation of the office of the secretary of education; provided, that not later than December 16, 2026, the executive office of education, in consultation with the department of elementary and secondary education and the department of higher education, shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on education on the implementation and expansion of the high quality college and career pathways initiative, including but not limited to, early college, innovation pathways and dual enrollment programs; provided further, that the report shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the public schools and districts participating in early college, innovation pathways, dual enrollment or career and vocational technical education programs; (ii) the institutions of higher education partnering with public schools and districts to offer early college, innovation pathways, dual enrollment or career and vocational technical education programs; (iii) the employers and employer partners participating in the innovation pathways program; (iv) the number of students participating in high quality college and career pathways; and (v) recommendations to enhance student participation in high quality college and career pathways $3,372,215

7009-6600 For the development and initial implementation of high-quality early college programs, including the growth of current programs and the strategic expansion of new 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 $21,000,000

General Fund 71.43%
Education and Transportation Fund..... 28.57%

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 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, 2027, the department of elementary and secondary education shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means, the joint committee on education and the executive office for administration and finance 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 paid students as defined by the National School Lunch Program; (ii) the distribution of funding paid through this item 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 $180,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund..... 100%

1596-2436 For the development of a statewide birth through higher education framework for mental and behavioral health which may include, but shall not be limited to: (i) guiding principles and strategies related to providing social emotional supports; (ii) mental and behavioral health supports; (iii) suicide prevention; and (iv) relevant professional development in educational settings; provided, that the

framework shall be developed in collaboration with the executive office of health and human services and the department of mental health, experts in childhood mental health, educators including those from early education and care programs, elementary and secondary public schools, and public institutions of higher education, students, families, and other stakeholders as appropriate; provided further, that funds may be expended to implement the framework and relevant mental and behavioral health supports for students; and provided further, that not later than May 28, 2027, the department of secondary and elementary education shall submit a report on (i) the implementation of the framework; and (ii) the number of districts implementing framework findings, prior appropriation continued.....$2,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund.....100%

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 personal data with each other 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; 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; provided further, that not less than $250,000 shall be expended for the foundation budget review commission established in section 4 of chapter 70 of the General Laws; provided further, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall conduct an assessment on the education workforce in school districts across the commonwealth; provided further, that such assessment shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the number of teachers who have completed a certification program in high-need subject areas, which may include, but shall not be limited to science, technology, mathematics, computer science, special education and English as a second language; (ii) the number of teacher vacancies in high-need subject areas by school district; (iii) the number of vacancies in high-need subject areas as compared to total number of teacher vacancies; and

(iv) the ratio of teachers to students in each school district; and provided further, that not later than February 2, 2027, the department of elementary and secondary education, in consultation with the executive office of education, shall submit a report on their findings to the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on education $13,664,723

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 in 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 29, 2027, 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 2027 shall not revert to the General Fund but shall be available until December 31, 2027 ..... $29,908,286

7010-0033 For a literacy and early literacy grant programs; provided, that literacy and early literacy programs receiving funding through this item shall submit ongoing evaluation and documentation of outcomes to the department of elementary and secondary education; provided further, that such evaluations shall be compared to measurable goals and benchmarks developed by the department; and provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months $5,266,750

7010-1192 For grants to cities, towns, school districts and nonprofit entities for educational improvement projects $100,000

7027-0019 For school-to-career connecting activities; provided, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the deparment 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 awarding 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 $6,472,081

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 $7,764,496

General Fund 61.36%
Education and Transportation Fund..... 38.64%

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 of 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 in 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.....$3,712,905

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 $8,750,748

7035-0001 For a program to be operated by the department of elementary and secondary education for planning and implementation grants for regional and local partnerships to develop and expand existing and new career and technical education programs, including the establishment and support of career technical institutes, including technical institutes established pursuant to chapter 74 of the General Laws; provided, that in awarding planning and implementation grants preference shall be given to vocational schools with demonstrable waitlists for admission; and provided further, that funding from this item may be used for transportation costs that are not otherwise reimbursed by the regional school transportation program.....$3,087,315

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 funds may be expended on phase 2 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 being analyzed; and provided further, that the department shall fund a professional development system to provide training and support for adult basic education programs and services $58,391,405

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; provided further, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall explore alternative transportation delivery, contracting and reimbursement models to identify possible economical and efficient approaches by which districts can transport students to public schools and related opportunities; and provided further, that not later than February 26, 2027, the department shall submit the results of its review to the joint committee on education, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the executive office for administration and finance $114,167,912

General Fund 46.89%
Education and Transportation Fund..... 53.11%

7035-0007 For reimbursements 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.....$1,360,474

Education and Transportation Fund.....100%

7035-0008 For reimbursements to cities, towns and regional school districts for the cost of transportation of nonresident pupils as required by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 119; provided, that not later than February 12, 2027, 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 $35,219,466

7035-0035 For a statewide 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 the department of elementary and secondary education shall establish an advanced placement test fee program which may reimburse fees to assist students with paying the fee for advanced placement tests based on financial need to be determined by the department; provided further, that funds shall support programs with the following program elements: (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 the program shall provide a matching amount of not less than $1,000,000 in private funding for direct support of educators; provided further, that the programs shall be chosen through a competitive process; provided further, that funds shall be disbursed by the beginning of the 2026-2027 school year to cover costs expended between August 1, 2026 and July 31, 2027; and provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months.....$2,250,320

Education and Transportation Fund.....100%

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 2 of chapter 548 of the acts of 1948 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 National School Lunch Act, 42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq., as amended, and implementing regulations.....$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 2027; 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 the grant program; provided further, that not later than April 1, 2027, 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 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 1, 2026, 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; 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; and provided further, that nothing in the universal school breakfast program shall give rise to legal rights in any party or provide enforceable entitlement to services, prior appropriation continued.....$4,429,965

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.....$7,658,399,506

General Fund 84.60%
Education and Transportation Fund..... 7.52%
Student Opportunity Act Investment Fund..... 7.42%
Education Fund 0.46%

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 2027 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 in accordance with 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 2027; provided further, that reimbursements shall be prorated 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 shall reimburse districts based on fiscal year 2026 claims; provided further, that the department 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 shall provide not less than $10,500,000 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 $250,000 shall be expended for school districts in which special education costs exceed 25 per cent of the total district costs and in which tuition and other circuit-breaker eligible costs for placements at an approved private school located within the district exceed both $1,000,000 and 20 per cent of all tuition and other circuit-breaker eligible costs for placements at approved private schools; provided further, that the department shall expend funds: (i) to provide books in accessible synthetic audio format that are made available through the 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 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'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 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 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 2027 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 2026 to costs reimbursable under said section 5A of said chapter 71B and incurred during fiscal year 2027 or other cases of extraordinary hardship where special education costs increase in relationship to total district costs as the department may define through regulations or guidelines; provided further, that reimbursements for current year

costs shall be allocated as 1-time grants; provided further, that the department shall conduct audits of fiscal year 2026 claims; provided further, that if the fiscal year 2026 claims are found to be inaccurate, the department shall recalculate the fiscal year 2027 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 29, 2027, the department 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 26, 2027, the department 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 2028, prior appropriation continued $652,694,886

7061-0028 For grants to school districts, charter schools and educational collaboratives to adapt, expand or strengthen multi-tiered systems of support to respond to the social emotional and behavioral health needs of students, families and educators; provided, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall develop the criteria for the grants; provided further, that grants may be awarded to school districts, charter schools and educational collaboratives that: (i) integrate equitable, culturally-competent and accessible social emotional learning skills into curriculum; (ii) implement targeted and evidenced-based supports for students at risk of not reaching social and behavioral expectations; (iii) provide professional development for staff members to recognize and respond to mental and behavioral health challenges that may arise during in-person or remote learning; and (iv) solicit feedback from a culturally and regionally diverse cross-section of students, families and caregivers to ensure that social emotional learning efforts reflect the school community's values and priorities; provided further, that preference in awarding grants shall be given to applicants that prioritize racial equity and cultural responsiveness; provided further, that the department shall, to the extent feasible, take affirmative steps to ensure the success of grant recipients in strengthening multi-tiered systems of support including, but not limited to, increased outreach and administrative support; provided further, that not less than $1,000,000 shall be expended for a pilot program to provide universal mental health screenings for students in kindergarten to grade 12, inclusive; provided further, that participants in the pilot program shall establish mental health support teams composed of existing student support personnel and screenings shall be performed by a member of such a team; provided further, that grants

awarded through the program may be used to support costs related to implementation of screening protocols, professional development and technical assistance; provided further, that not later than July 1, 2027, each participant in the pilot program shall submit a report to the department of elementary and secondary education which shall include, but not limited to, the: (a) number of students who received mental health screenings, delineated by demographic group and grade level; (b) number of students requiring additional support or follow-up screenings, including students who indicated suicidal ideation or intent to self-harm; (c) length of time between the initial screening and subsequent support services provided; (d) number of students referred for additional support services outside of the school district; and (e) types of screening tools used; provided further, that not later than September 1, 2027, the department shall submit a report to the joint committee on education, the joint committee on mental health, substance use and recovery and the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include: (1) a description of the participants in the pilot program; (2) a summary of the data collected from program participants; and (3) any recommendations to further expand the availability of mental health screenings for students; and provided further, that not less than $500,000 shall be expended for behavioral health and mental health supports for nonpublic schools including, but not limited to, mental health counselors.....$3,500,000

7061-0029 For the office of school and district accountability established in section 55A of chapter 15 of the General Laws.....$1,599,268

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; and provided further, that not less than $150,000 shall be made available to the town of Lincoln to mitigate the costs of educating the children of retired-military families $1,455,500

7061-9010 For fiscal year 2027 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, the per-pupil capital facilities component of the commonwealth charter school tuition rate for fiscal year 2027 shall be $1,288; provided further, that in accordance with 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 2027; 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.....$200,402,605

7061-9200 For the department's education data analysis and support for local districts.....$1,302,145

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 1D and 1I of said chapter 69; provided further, that funds may also be expended on the development and implementation of related curriculum standards and instructional support; and 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 2026-2027 school year.....$40,832,690

7061-9401 For the University of Massachusetts at Amherst to manage an alternative assessment pilot program; provided, that the program shall be administered under a contract with the Massachusetts Consortium for Innovative Education Assessment to directly

support the member districts of the consortium in developing and piloting tools and practices to assess student and school performance; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the university to disseminate tools and practices developed within the consortium, making such tools and practices freely available to all schools and districts; and provided further, that the consortium shall submit an annual report that includes recommendations to the commissioner of elementary and secondary education, the senate and house committees on ways and means, and the joint committee on education $247,500

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 commonwealth'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 of elementary and secondary education shall only approve reform plans with proven, replicable results in improving student performance; 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 department of early education and care and the department of 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 unless 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 in all schools within 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, 2027, the department shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on education describing and analyzing all targeted assistance efforts funded by this item; 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 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.....$16,408,966

7061-9601 For the department of elementary and secondary education, which shall expend not more than $2,620,882 for teacher preparation and certification services from fees related to such services; provided, 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.....$2,620,882

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; and provided further, that not later than April 1, 2027, 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; and (ii) outcomes measured for youths $2,775,683

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, 2026, the department of elementary and secondary education shall select the grant recipients; 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; provided further, that not later than June 28, 2027, 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 school districts; and provided further, that not less than $250,000 shall be expended as a grant to the Crystal Springs school in the town of Freetown to support programs and services for children, adolescents and young adults with developmental disabilities.....$7,453,178

General Fund 75.99%
Youth Development & Achievement Fund... 24.01%

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) statewide and regional conferences that shall, in part, highlight best practices in the use of the online self-assessment tool; (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 summits to assist superintendents and principals with developing safe and supportive school and district cultures including, but not limited to, the implementation of the online self-assessment tool; provided further, that grants shall be awarded to school and school district teams that create school-wide 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 to 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 school-wide action plans shall incorporate such action plans into their school improvement plans developed under section 1I of said chapter 69; provided further, that not later than November 3, 2026, grant awards 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 these purposes until June 30, 2028 ..... $648,949

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. to provide comprehensive education, workforce training and skills development to youth.....$3,000,000

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, but not limited to, 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 15, 2027, 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

7061-9813 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, 2026, the department of elementary and secondary education shall submit a report to the house and senate committees

on ways and means detailing: (a) recommendations for additional adjustments to the rural school aid calculation for fiscal year 2028 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 February 2, 2027, 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, 2027, that the department of elementary and secondary education shall submit a report to the joint committee on education and the house and senate committes 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 2028 ..... $16,000,000

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; and provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months $2,940,300

7061-9815 For a grant program to be 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 in 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.....$1,014,500

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; 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; provided further, that funds may be expended for an office of higher education success and completion within the department of higher education to support: (i) data collection and tracking; and (ii) the development of best practices for higher education student success and degree completion including, but not limited to, the alignment of community college programming with labor market demands; provided further, that the department shall distribute funds to the public institutions of higher education for the purpose of this item for the academic year beginning in 2026 not later than August 31, 2026; provided further, that discrepancies between the initial distribution and actual award amounts shall be reconciled and be accounted for in a subsequent distribution of funds prior to January 29, 2027; and provided further, that the department shall provide notice of preliminary funding estimates to the public institutions of higher education for the academic year beginning in 2027 based on said actual award amounts and any changes to eligiblity criteria or regulations proposed by the department not later than January 1, 2027.....$85,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund.....100%

1596-2439 For grants to state universities for cohort counseling to ensure student success and 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, 2027, 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; 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 further, that the department of higher education shall provide written notice to the house and senate committees on ways and means not less than 120 days prior to the implementation of any reduction in the allowance; provided further, that the 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: (1) 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; or (2) 1.045; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, students enrolled in courses that meet the initial training requirements for emergency medical technician and paramedic certification shall be awarded sufficient financial assistance to cover any remaining tuition and fees due and an allowance for the cost of books, supplies and other expenses after all other sources of federal and state grant aid have been utilized, regardless of the number of credits the student is enrolled in or whether the student has previously earned a baccalaureate degree or equivalent certification; 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 2, 2027, 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: (i) enrollment; (ii) retention; (iii) barriers to student participation; and (iv) demographic data related to program participants; and provided further, that not later than May 28, 2027, 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.....$137,048,000

Education and Transportation Fund.....100%

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 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 those 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, incurred by the commonwealth for such 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; 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; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the training resources and internship networks, or TRAIN, grant program established in section 179 of chapter 46 of the acts of 2015; provided further, that not less than $1,500,000 shall be expended for monthly stipends and other support services for participants in order to facilitate participation in the program; provided further, that not more than $100,000 shall be expended for administrative costs for the program; provided further, that the department shall seek additional proposals to expand the TRAIN grant program to additional community colleges in fiscal year 2027; and provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any grant administered by the department, including but not limited to those established in this item, item 7100-4002 and item 1596-2439 for fiscal year 2027 shall be distributed not later than September 30, 2026 pursuant to a transfer schedule determined by the executive office of administration and finance $4,306,186

7066-0009 For the New England Board of Higher Education $433,525

7066-0015 For the community college workforce training incentive grant program established in 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 18 years of age 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 18 years of age to qualify for such aid; provided further, that such aid shall not exceed $6,000 per recipient per year; and provided further, that such 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 funds may be expended in summer months.....$12,900,000

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 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 foster and adopted children 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 board of higher education; and provided further, 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

7066-9600 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 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 21 years of age through the 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 credit and noncredit 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 the department shall distribute grant funds to recipients for fiscal year 2027 not later than July 17, 2026, to allow a full year of service for inclusive concurrent enrollment programs initatied through the grant program; provided further that the the department shall distribute a request for fiscal year 2028 grant proposals and shall select fiscal year 2028 grant recipients subject to future appropriation not later than May 29, 2027; provided further, that not later than January 29, 2027, the department of higher education, in consultation with the department of elementary and secondary education, shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means, the joint committee on education and the joint committee on higher education on student outcomes in programs funded by this item; provided further, that funds may be expended for programs or activities during the summer months; and provided further, that not less than $2,000,000 shall be transferred to the Massachusetts Inclusive Concurrent Enrollment Initiative Trust Fund established in section 2VVVVV of chapter 29 of the General Laws $5,000,000

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 the 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 the priority application deadline for the MASSGrant program shall be June 30, 2026; provided further, that that not less than $22,000,000 shall be made available for the Gilbert Grants; provided further, that not less than $5,000,000 shall be made available for early educator scholarships; provided further, that funds from this item shall be made available for paraprofessional grants in amounts not less than the amounts made available in fiscal year 2026; provided further, that not less than $480,000 shall be made available for One Family, Inc.; and provided further, that not less than $150,000 shall be made available for the Chief Justice Ralph D. Gants Scholarship program, administered by the Massachusetts Bar Foundation to provide

stipends for judicial internships to current law students with demonstrated financial need, prior appropriation continued $176,688,311

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 $7,000,000

7100-4002 For Supporting Urgent Community College Equity through Student Services, or SUCCESS, grants to community colleges to provide wraparound supports and services to improve outcomes for their most vulnerable populations, which may include, but shall not be 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; and provided further, that not later than April 1, 2027, 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%

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

University of Massachusetts.

1596-2705 For grants to the University of Massachusetts for cohort counseling to ensure student success and 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 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 university; and provided further, that not later than March 3, 2027, the department shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the progress made on implementing and funding this program.....$10,000,000

Education and Transportation Fund.....100%

7100-0200 For the operation of the University of Massachusetts; provided, that not later than January 29, 2027, 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 the university's multi-year financial forecast including, but not limited to, trends in student enrollment, anticipated cost savings initiatives and efforts to reduce student tuition and fees; provided further, that funding for each center and institute at the University of Massachusetts at Boston shall be provided in an amount not less than the amount provided 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 those centers or institutions, the university shall submit a report detailing: (i) the reasons for such reductions; (ii) 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 (iii) a mitigation plan to ameliorate the effects of such reductions on students and university

staff, 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 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 and for annual operations of the advanced technology and manufacturing center in the city of Fall River; provided further, that funds may be expended for the operation of the Future of Work Research Initiative at the University of Massachusetts labor centers at the university's Amherst, Boston, Dartmouth and Lowell campuses; provided further, that not less than $250,000 shall be expended for the University unified procurement services team to offer other public institutions of higher education optional access to centralized procurements for products and services; and provided further, that funds 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 abuse services and assistance to students struggling with stress, anxiety or other mental health needs.....$874,250,000

General Fund 97.89%
Education Fund 2.11%

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 pursuant to 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.....$2,813,465

7100-0701 For the Center for Portuguese Studies and Culture at the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth; provided, that funds shall be allocated directly to the center.....$250,000

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

State Universities.

7109-0100 For Bridgewater State University $76,658,735

7110-0100 For Fitchburg State University.....$46,942,816

7112-0100 For Framingham State University.....$46,687,984

7113-0100 For the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts.....$25,351,763

7113-0101 For Gallery 51 at the Berkshire Cultural Resource Center in the city of North Adams to be administered by the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts $50,000

7114-0100 For Salem State University $70,013,015

7114-0110 For the Frederick E. Berry Institute for Politics and Civic Engagement at Salem State University; provided, that the institute shall promote public service and civic engagement through programs, educational opportunities and related events that offer inclusive and firsthand civic learning experiences for students.....$200,000

7115-0100 For Westfield State University.....$44,099,532

7116-0100 For Worcester State University.....$43,642,881

7117-0100 For the Massachusetts College of Art and Design.....$28,845,407

7118-0100 For the Massachusetts Maritime Academy.....$27,278,705

Community Colleges.

7502-0100 For Berkshire Community College.....$16,278,126

7503-0100 For Bristol Community College.....$33,958,964

7504-0100 For Cape Cod Community College.....$18,300,828

7505-0100 For Greenfield Community College $16,423,542

7506-0100 For Holyoke Community College.....$29,613,654

7507-0100 For Massachusetts Bay Community College.....$24,378,539

7508-0100 For Massasoit Community College $31,590,662

7509-0100 For Mount Wachusett Community College.....$22,775,619

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.....$29,344,939

7511-0100 For North Shore Community College.....$32,481,190

7512-0100 For Quinsigamond Community College.....$32,355,003

7514-0100 For Springfield Technical Community College.....$36,611,994

7515-0100 For Roxbury Community College $16,293,886

7515-0120 For the operation of the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center at Roxbury Community College.....$1,128,694

7515-0121 For the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center at Roxbury Community College; provided, that the college may expend not more than $2,500,000 received from fees, rentals and facility expenses associated with the operation of national track meets, high school track meets, high school dual meets, Roxbury Community College athletic events, other special athletic events, conferences, meetings and programs; provided further, that only expenses for contracted services associated with such 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.....$34,823,915

7518-0100 For Bunker Hill Community College $40,441,102

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 $245,025

8000-0070 For the research and analysis of the committee on criminal justice; provided, that funds may be expended to support the work of the Massachusetts sentencing commission $139,043

8000-0202 For the purchase and distribution of sexual assault evidence collection kits $91,768

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. 402 and the costs associated with the implementation of chapter 122 of the acts of 2019; provided, that executive office of public safety and security staff may provide administrative processing for departments under the executive office's purview; 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; provided further, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for the executive office of public safety and security, in collaboration with department of public health, to conduct an

analysis and recommend a plan to modernize and improve the efficiency, efficacy, service delivery and long term sustainability of emergency medical services in the commonwealth; provided further, that the analysis and plan shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the feasibility and fiscal impacts of transferring the administration and oversight of the state emergency medical services system from the department of public health to a new agency within the executive office of public safety and security; (ii) best practices among states in the administration of emergency medical services; (iii) the current state of the emergency medical services workforce in the commonwealth and methods of enhancing recruitment and retention; (iv) the integration of emergency medical services with other public safety agencies including police and fire; (v) the utilization and effectiveness of the statewide communication system among emergency medical services providers and methods of improving interoperability, including for central medical emergency direction statewide; (vi) a review of the different service delivery requirements for emergency and interfacility transports; and (vii) revisions to the EMS system advisory board established in section 13 of chapter 111C of the General Laws to promote stakeholder engagement and effectiveness of the board; provided further, that the executive office shall engage with stakeholders including, but not limited to: (a) the Fire Chiefs Association of Massachusetts; (b) the Professional Fire Fighters of Massachusetts; (c) the Massachusetts Call/Volunteer Firefighters Association; (d) the Massachusetts Hospital Association; (e) the Massachusetts Ambulance Association; (f) the International Association of EMTs and Paramedics; and (g) the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association; provided further, that the executive office shall solicit public input and hold not less than 4 public hearings in different geographic areas of the commonwealth; and provided further, that not later than June 30, 2027, the executive office shall submit its final analysis and recommendation, including any legislative and regulatory changes, to the clerks of the house of representatives and senate, the house and senate committees on ways and means, the joint committee on public health and the joint committee on public safety and homeland security.....$6,852,912

8000-0605 For efforts to combat human trafficking, including a competitive grant program to be administered by the executive office of public safety and security; provided, that not later than March 2, 2027, the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate

committees on ways and means detailing expenditures from this item, including a list of grant recipients.....$100,000

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 18 and 25 years of age, 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 18 and 25 years of age, 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 at least 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 with options for additional renewal periods; and provided further, that not later than March 2, 2027, the executive office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means which shall include, but not be limited to, the: (a) successful grant applications and the services they provide; (b) amount of funds awarded to each grant recipient; (c) criteria used to evaluate grant applications; (d) number of participants served by each program and the communities to which they are returning; and

(e) outcomes and recidivism rates of the participants in each of the programs $7,000,000

Marijuana Regulation Fund 100%

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 under said section 32 of said chapter 22C; provided further, that the grants shall be distributed in a geographically equitable manner across the eastern, central and western regions of the commonwealth; provided further, that not later than March 2, 2027, the executive office of public safety and security 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 grant applicants; (ii) successful grant applicants; (iii) criteria used to evaluate grant applications; and (iv) amount of funds awarded to each grant recipient; provided further, that not less than $300,000 shall be expended by the executive office for a security personnel program to be piloted at nonprofits that have demonstrated to be at high risk for terrorist attacks or hate crimes; and provided further, that participating nonprofits shall contribute matching funds to the pilot program equal to $1 for every $1 contributed by the commonwealth.....$5,000,000

8000-1213 For the school of reentry; provided, that funds may be spent on the credible messenger program $1,320,938

8000-1225 For the operation of the office of grants and research $287,358

8000-1700 For the provision of information technology services within the executive office of public safety and security.....$21,055,192

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 ex-convicts; 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, multijurisdictional 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 those 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 2028 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 14, 2026, 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 15, 2026, grant funds shall be made available to applicants; and provided further, that not later than 60 days after the distribution of the grant funds, 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 detailing the distribution of the grant funds $10,087,424

Chief Medical Examiner.

8000-0105 For the operation of the office of the chief medical examiner established in chapter 38 of the General Laws; provided, that not later than January 15, 2027, 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 2026; (ii) the number of procedures performed in fiscal year 2026; (iii) the current turnaround time and backlogs; (iv) the current response time to scenes; (v) the number of cases completed in fiscal year 2026; (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 $19,761,334

8000-0122 For the office of the chief medical examiner, which may expend for its operations not more than $8,851,118 in revenues collected from fees for services provided by the office; 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..... $8,851,118

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..... $3,539,817

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 $5,816,920 in revenues collected from fees for services provided by the board; provided, that funding from this item may be retained and expended from fees charged and collected under section 172A of chapter 6 of the General Laws; provided further, that funds may be expended to assist ex-offenders 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 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; and provided further, that any unexpended funds in this item shall not revert but shall be made available for the purpose of this item until June 30, 2028 ..... $5,816,920

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 15, 2026, the sex offender registry board 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 $7,558,045

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, an amount not more than $52,000,000 in revenues collected from fees charged for those details; 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 $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 fees charged for those 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 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 2027, the colonel of state police may enter into service agreements with the commanding officer or other person in charge of a military reservation of the United States under the control of 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 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 $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 fees collected for those activities; 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 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 costs associated with 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.....$10,434,091

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 state police 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 from this item 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; and provided further, that the department shall submit quarterly reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means that 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 $406,348,479

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 department of 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 sciences oversight board; and 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 $34,356,002

8100-1005 For the analysis of narcotic drug synthetic substitutes, poisons, drugs, medicines and chemicals at the University of Massachusetts medical school to support the law enforcement efforts of the district attorneys, the department of state police and municipal police departments $664,802

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 ..... $19,281,152

General Fund 93.80%
Public Safety Training Fund..... 6.20%

8200-0222 For the municipal police training committee, which may collect and expend not more than $2,800,000 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, 2026; provided further, that fee revenues 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 prior to 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 prior to 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 prior to 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 prior to 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; 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 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 $2,800,000

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 nonmunicipal 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, radio and dispatch center improvements and 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, nonliability 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 expended by the department for critical incident stress management; provided further, that not less than $2,000,000 shall be expended by the department for the On-Site Academy for critical incident stress management services in support of emergency medical services, fire, corrections officers, and law enforcement officers; provided further, that not less than $2,000,000 shall be allocated by the department for the student awareness fire education program; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the hazardous materials emergency response program under chapter 21K of the General Laws; and provided further, that funds shall be expended for costs associated with additional operational capacity and hazardous materials emergency response teams coverage for special events $42,550,301

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 pursuant to chapter 148A 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 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 $2,410,369 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 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 $2,410,369

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 not less than $300,000 shall be expended for suicide prevention services for military personnel $13,954,218

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 fees charged 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 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 $1,900,000

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 prior to 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, 2028 .....$5,334,769

8700-1160 For life insurance premiums under section 88B of chapter 33 of the General Laws $1,153,552

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 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 $7,163,274

Department of Correction.

8900-0001 For the operation of the department of correction; provided, that not later than January 15, 2027, 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 Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. on caseload, admissions, classification, releases and recidivism of all pretrial, sentenced and federal incarcerated persons; provided further, that the department shall submit the reports on a quarterly basis not later than 30 days following the last day of the quarter; provided further, that the department shall submit biannual reports to 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 on the use of solitary confinement, also known as segregation, in state prisons; provided further, that 1 of the reports shall cover the period from July 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026, inclusive, and 1 of the reports shall cover the period from January 1, 2027 to June 30, 2027, inclusive; provided further, that such reports shall include, but not be limited to, the: (i) number of prisoners subjected to solitary confinement and their voluntarily disclosed sexual orientation as

defined under section 3 of chapter 151B and gender identity as defined in section 7 of chapter 4; (ii) length of time spent in solitary confinement; (iii) number of prisoners with mental illness subjected to solitary confinement, delineated by diagnosis; (iv) number of prisoners 21 years of age or younger subjected to solitary confinement; (v) number of prisoners subjected to multiple stays in solitary confinement in a given reporting period; (vi) number of prisoners released directly into the community from solitary confinement or released into the community not later than 30 days after having been in solitary confinement; and (vii) rate of recidivism for individuals that were subject to solitary confinement; provided further, that the department shall validate each educational program offered to incarcerated persons against an evidence-based model chosen by the secretary of public safety and security at least once every 3 years; provided further, that the department shall collaborate with the executive office of education in order to ensure high-quality educational programming at the department and to support the reintegration of formerly incarcerated persons into the community from state prisons; provided further, that not later than February 2, 2027, the department shall submit a report to the joint committee on public safety and homeland security and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing efforts undertaken to ensure high-quality educational programming for incarcerated persons under the department's supervision; and provided further, that not less than $1,000,000 shall be expended for municipalities hosting department of correction facilities $859,650,607

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 such funds shall only be expended in the AA or DD object classes if such funds are to be utilized for counselors, teachers, mental health personnel, medical personnel or additional legal staff..... $4,929,937

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.....$7,129,800

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 the purpose of 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; 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.....$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 those provided in fiscal year 2026; and provided further, that not less than $80,000 shall be expended for the department of correction to cover costs associated with coordinating and supporting partnerships with higher education institutions that provide post-secondary education programs in state prisons.....$1,503,854

Parole Board.

8950-0001 For the operation of the parole board.....$26,048,762

8950-0002 For the victim and witness assistance program under chapter 258B of the General Laws $275,543

SHERIFFS.

Hampden Sheriff's Office.

8910-0102 For the operation of the Hampden sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 15, 2026, 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 pretrial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning for the quarter ending September 30, 2026 and such data shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Hampden sheriff's office 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: (i) a detailed breakdown of all programs and services provided by the Hampden sheriff's office in and outside of the sheriff's office facilities; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of providing each program and service; (iii) information on the participants or customers of the program, including whether they are incarcerated persons, a public entity, a private business or a nonprofit; (iv) comprehensive quantitative analysis of the impact that the program has on said participants, including their disciplinary record while in custody, their recidivism rate after release and their employment rate after release when applicable; and (v) the compensation rates for participants; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110 ..... $3,671,223

8910-0103 For the AA, BB, CC and DD object class costs of the Hampden sheriff's office; provided, that staffing costs shall not be projected to exceed the amount appropriated in this item; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Hampden sheriff's office

shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the current fiscal year payroll spending projections including, but not limited to: (i) the number of full time equivalent employees; (ii) the current salary of each employee; (iii) the bargaining unit of each employee; (iv) the additional costs of implementing any collective bargaining agreement for each employee over the next 12 months; (v) any plans to hire additional employees and the costs associated with those employees; and (vi) the ratio of full time equivalent employees to average daily supervisory population $92,276,918

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 the program shall include medication, food, clothing, medical needs and psychiatric services $14,000,000

8910-1000 For the Hampden sheriff's office, which may expend for the operation of a prison industries program not more than $3,631,252 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, 2027, 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 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.....$3,631,252

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 16, 2027, 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 2027 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.....$667,690

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

8910-1040 For the delivery of a medication-assisted treatment program in Hampden sheriff's office facilities across Hampden county; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Hampden sheriff's office 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: (i) the number of participants in the program; (ii) the breakdown of dosage and type of medications administered; and (iii) the cost breakdown of the medications $2,333,907

8910-1060 For the costs of providing voice communication services, including phone calls and other communication services free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication pursuant to section 87A of chapter 127 of the General Laws; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that beginning November 2, 2026, the Hampden sheriff's office shall submit quarterly reports to the executive office for administration and finance and to the house and senate committees on ways and means on documentation of communication services provided free of charge including, but not limited to: (i) amounts expended for communication services, delineated by facility; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of each call by minute, delineated by facility; (iii) a breakdown of the cost of each other communication service offered by minute, delineated by facility; (iv) the number of phone calls, video communications, electronic communications and other communications services, delineated by facility; and (v) any changes in contracts for voice communication services, including any progress in maximizing purchasing power and consolidating contracts between the sheriffs and the department of correction; and provided further, that the executive office for administration and finance may require additional documentation as deemed necessary by the secretary $538,188

Worcester Sheriff's Office.

8910-0105 For the operation of the Worcester sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 15, 2026, 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 pretrial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning for the quarter ending September 30, 2026 and such data shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Worcester sheriff's office 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: (i) a detailed breakdown of all programs and services provided by the Worcester sheriff's office in and outside of the sheriff's office facilities; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of providing each program and service; (iii) information on the participants or customers of the program, including whether they are incarcerated persons, a public entity, a private business or a nonprofit; (iv) comprehensive quantitative analysis of the impact that the program has on said participants, including their disciplinary record while in custody, their recidivism rate after release and their employment rate after release when applicable; and (v) the compensation rates for participants; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110.....$7,407,247

8910-0106 For the AA, BB, CC and DD object class costs of the Worcester sheriff's office; provided, that staffing costs shall not be projected to exceed the amount appropriated in this item; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Worcester sheriff's office shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the current fiscal year payroll spending projections including, but not limited to: (i) the number of full time equivalent employees; (ii) the current salary of each employee; (iii) the bargaining unit of each employee; (iv) the additional costs of implementing any collective bargaining agreement for each employee over the next 12 months; (v) any plans to hire additional employees and the costs associated with those employees; and (vi) the ratio of full time equivalent employees to average daily supervisory population $55,104,159

8910-1011 For the delivery of a medication-assisted treatment program in Worcester sheriff's office facilities across Worcester county;

provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Worcester sheriff's office 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: (i) the number of participants in the program; (ii) the breakdown of dosage and type of medications administered; and (iii) the cost breakdown of the medications $733,951

8910-1012 For the costs of providing voice communication services, including phone calls and other communication services free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication pursuant to section 87A of chapter 127 of the General Laws; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that beginning November 2, 2026, the Worcester sheriff's office shall submit quarterly reports to the executive office for administration and finance and to the house and senate committees on ways and means on documentation of communication services provided free of charge including, but not limited to: (i) amounts expended for communication services, delineated by facility; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of each call by minute, delineated by facility; (iii) a breakdown of the cost of each other communication service offered by minute, delineated by facility; (iv) the number of phone calls, video communications, electronic communications and other communications services, delineated by facility; and (v) any changes in contracts for voice communication services, including any progress in maximizing purchasing power and consolidating contracts between the sheriffs and the department of correction; and provided further, that the executive office for administration and finance may require additional documentation as deemed necessary by the secretary $1,562,237

Middlesex Sheriff's Office.

8910-0107 For the operation of the Middlesex sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 15, 2026, 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 pretrial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning for the quarter ending September 30, 2026 and such data shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Middlesex sheriff's office 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: (i) a detailed breakdown of all programs and services provided by the Middlesex sheriff's office in and outside of the sheriff's office facilities; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of providing each program and service; (iii) information on the participants or customers of the program, including whether they are incarcerated persons, a public entity, a private business or a nonprofit; (iv) comprehensive quantitative analysis of the impact that the program has on said participants, including their disciplinary record while in custody, their recidivism rate after release and their employment rate after release when applicable; and (v) the compensation rates for participants; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110.....$6,925,992

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 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.....$100,000

8910-1013 For the AA, BB, CC and DD object class costs of the Middlesex sheriff's office; provided, that staffing costs shall not be projected to exceed the amount appropriated in this item; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Middlesex sheriff's office shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the current fiscal year payroll spending projections including, but not limited to: (i) the number of full time equivalent employees; (ii) the current salary of each employee; (iii) the bargaining unit of each employee; (iv) the additional costs of implementing any collective

bargaining agreement for each employee over the next 12 months; (v) any plans to hire additional employees and the costs associated with those employees; and (vi) the ratio of full time equivalent employees to average daily supervisory population $72,711,719

8910-1014 For the delivery of a medication-assisted treatment program in Middlesex sheriff's office facilities across Middlesex county; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Middlesex sheriff's office 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: (i) the number of participants in the program; (ii) the breakdown of dosage and type of medications administered; and (iii) the cost breakdown of the medicationss $1,539,813

8910-1015 For the costs of providing voice communication services, including phone calls and other communication services free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication pursuant to section 87A of chapter 127 of the General Laws; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that beginning November 2, 2026, the Middlesex sheriff's office shall submit quarterly reports to the executive office for administration and finance and to the house and senate committees on ways and means on documentation of communication services provided free of charge including, but not limited to: (i) amounts expended for communication services, delineated by facility; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of each call by minute, delineated by facility; (iii) a breakdown of the cost of each other communication service offered by minute, delineated by facility; (iv) the number of phone calls, video communications, electronic communications and other communications services, delineated by facility; and (v) any changes in contracts for voice communication services, including any progress in maximizing purchasing power and consolidating contracts between the sheriffs and the department of correction; and provided further, that the executive office for administration and finance may require additional documentation as deemed necessary by the secretary $1,525,788

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 the program; provided, that not later than March 16, 2027, 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 rate 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 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.....$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 16, 2027, 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 2027 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 15, 2026, 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 pretrial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning for the quarter ending September 30, 2026 and such data shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Hampshire sheriff's office 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: (i) a detailed breakdown of all programs and services provided by the Hampshire sheriff's office in and outside of the sheriff's office facilities; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of providing each program and service; (iii) information on the participants or customers of the program, including whether they are incarcerated persons, a public entity, a private business or a nonprofit; (iv) comprehensive quantitative analysis of the impact that the program has on said participants, including their disciplinary record while in custody, their recidivism rate after release and their employment rate after release when applicable; and (v) the compensation rates for participants; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110..... $1,916,369

8910-0111 For the AA, BB, CC and DD object class costs of the Hampshire sheriff's office; provided, that staffing costs shall not be projected to exceed the amount appropriated in this item; and provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Hampshire sheriff's office shall submit a report to executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the current fiscal year payroll spending projections including, but not limited to: (i) the number of full time equivalent employees; (ii) the current salary of each employee; (iii) the bargaining unit of each employee; (iv) the additional costs of implementing any collective bargaining agreement for each employee over the next 12 months; (v) any plans to hire additional employees and the costs associated with those employees; and (vi) the ratio of full time equivalent employees to average daily supervisory population $18,200,523

8910-0112 For the delivery of a medication-assisted treatment program in Hampshire sheriff's office facilities across Hampshire county; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Hampshire sheriff's office 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: (i) the number of participants in the program; (ii) the breakdown of dosage and type of medications administered; and (iii) the cost breakdown of the medications $222,721

8910-0113 For the costs of providing voice communication services, including phone calls and other communication services free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication pursuant to section 87A of chapter 127 of the General Laws; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that beginning November 2, 2026, the Hampshire sheriff's office shall submit quarterly reports to the executive office for administration and finance and to the house and senate committees on ways and means on documentation of communication services provided free of charge including, but not limited to: (i) amounts expended for communication services, delineated by facility; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of each call by minute, delineated by facility; (iii) a breakdown of the cost of each other communication service offered by minute, delineated by facility; (iv) the number of phone calls, video communications, electronic communications and other communications services, delineated by facility; and (v) any changes in contracts for voice

communication services, including any progress in maximizing purchasing power and consolidating contracts between the sheriffs and the department of correction; and provided further, that the executive office for administration and finance may require additional documentation as deemed necessary by the secretary $108,712

Berkshire Sheriff's Office.

8910-0145 For the operation of the Berkshire sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 15, 2026, 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 pretrial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning for the quarter ending September 30, 2026 and such data shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Berkshire sheriff's office shall submit a report to executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) a detailed breakdown of all programs and services provided by the Berkshire sheriff's office in and outside of the sheriff's office facilities; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of providing each program and service; (iii) information on the participants or customers of the program, including whether they are incarcerated persons, a public entity, a private business or a nonprofit; (iv) comprehensive quantitative analysis of the impact that the program has on said participants, including their disciplinary record while in custody, their recidivism rate after release and their employment rate after release when applicable; and (v) the compensation rates for participants; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110.....$2,464,088

8910-0146 For the AA, BB, CC and DD object class costs of the Berkshire sheriff's office; provided, that staffing costs shall not be projected to exceed the amount appropriated in this item; provided further,

that not later than November 2, 2026, the Berkshire sheriff's office shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the current fiscal year payroll spending projections including, but not limited to: (i) the number of full time equivalent employees; (ii) the current salary of each employee; (iii) the bargaining unit of each employee; (iv) the additional costs of implementing any collective bargaining agreement for each employee over the next 12 months; (v) any plans to hire additional employees and the costs associated with those employees; and (vi) the ratio of full time equivalent employees to average daily supervisory population $19,997,381

8910-0147 For the delivery of a medication-assisted treatment program in Berkshire sheriff's office facilities across Berkshire county; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Berkshire sheriff's office 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: (i) the number of participants in the program; (ii) the breakdown of dosage and type of medications administered; and (iii) the cost breakdown of the medications $749,840

8910-0148 For the costs of providing voice communication services, including phone calls and other communication services free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication pursuant to section 87A of chapter 127 of the General Laws; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that beginning November 2, 2026, the Berkshire sheriff's office shall submit quarterly reports to the executive office for administration and finance and to the house and senate committees on ways and means on documentation of communication services provided free of charge including, but not limited to: (i) amounts expended for communication services, delineated by facility; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of each call by minute, delineated by facility; (iii) a breakdown of the cost of each other communication service offered by minute, delineated by facility; (iv) the number of phone calls, video communications, electronic communications and other communications services, delineated by facility; and (v) any changes in contracts for voice communication services, including any progress in maximizing purchasing power and consolidating contracts between the sheriffs and the department of correction; and provided further, that the

executive office for administration and finance may require additional documentation as deemed necessary by the secretary $429,193

8910-0155 For the operation of the Berkshire aquaponics program at the Berkshire County house of correction $150,001

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; 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.....$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 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.....$1,500,000

Franklin Sheriff's Office.

8910-0108 For the operation of the Franklin sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 15, 2026, 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 pretrial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning for the quarter ending September 30, 2026 and such data shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that no funds in

this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Franklin sheriff's office shall submit a report to executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) a detailed breakdown of all programs and services provided by the Franklin sheriff's office in and outside of the sheriff's office facilities; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of providing each program and service; (iii) information on the participants or customers of the program, including whether they are incarcerated persons, a public entity, a private business or a nonprofit; (iv) comprehensive quantitative analysis of the impact that the program has on said participants, including their disciplinary record while in custody, their recidivism rate after release and their employment rate after release when applicable; and (v) the compensation rates for participants; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110.....$1,734,857

8910-1021 For the AA, BB, CC and DD object class costs of the Franklin sheriff's office; provided, that staffing costs shall not be projected to exceed the amount appropriated in this item; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Franklin sheriff's office shall submit a report to executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the current fiscal year payroll spending projections including, but not limited to: (i) the number of full time equivalent employees; (ii) the current salary of each employee; (iii) the bargaining unit of each employee; (iv) the additional costs of implementing any collective bargaining agreement for each employee over the next 12 months; (v) any plans to hire additional employees and the costs associated with those employees; and (vi) the ratio of full time equivalent employees to average daily supervisory population $22,866,495

8910-1022 For the delivery of a medication-assisted treatment program in Franklin sheriff's office facilities across Franklin county; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Franklin sheriff's office 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: (i) the number of participants in the program; (ii) the

breakdown of dosage and type of medications administered; and (iii) the cost breakdown of the medications $105,932

8910-1023 For the costs of providing voice communication services, including phone calls and other communication services free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication pursuant to section 87A of chapter 127 of the General Laws; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that beginning November 2, 2026, the Franklin sheriff's office shall submit quarterly reports to the executive office for administration and finance and to the house and senate committees on ways and means on documentation of communication services provided free of charge including, but not limited to: (i) amounts expended for communication services, delineated by facility; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of each call by minute, delineated by facility; (iii) a breakdown of the cost of each other communication service offered by minute, delineated by facility; (iv) the number of phone calls, video communications, electronic communications and other communications services, delineated by facility; and (v) any changes in contracts for voice communication services, including any progress in maximizing purchasing power and consolidating contracts between the sheriffs and the department of correction; and provided further, that the executive office for administration and finance may require additional documentation as deemed necessary by the secretary $392,076

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 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 $1,850,000

8910-0619 For the operation of the Essex sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 15, 2026, 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 pretrial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning for the quarter ending September 30, 2026 and such data shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Essex sheriff's office 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: (i) a detailed breakdown of all programs and services provided by the Essex sheriff's office in and outside of the sheriff's office facilities; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of providing each program and service; (iii) information on the participants or customers of the program, including whether they are incarcerated persons, a public entity, a private business or a nonprofit; (iv) comprehensive quantitative analysis of the impact that the program has on said participants, including their disciplinary record while in custody, their recidivism rate after release and their employment rate after release when applicable; and (v) the compensation rates for participants; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110 ..... $19,070,296

8910-0620 For the AA, BB, CC and DD object class costs of the Essex sheriff's office; provided, that staffing costs shall not be projected to exceed the amount appropriated in this item; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Essex sheriffs' office shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the current fiscal year payroll spending projections including, but not limited to: (i) the number of full time equivalent employees; (ii) the current salary of each employee; (iii) the bargaining unit of each employee; (iv) the additional costs of implementing any collective bargaining agreement for each employee over the next 12 months; (v) any plans to hire additional employees and the costs associated with those employees; and (vi) the ratio of full time equivalent employees to average daily supervisory population $68,990,765

8910-0621 For the delivery of a medication-assisted treatment program in Essex sheriff's office facilities across Essex county; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Essex sheriff's office 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: (i) the number of participants in the program; (ii) the breakdown of dosage and type of medications administered; and (iii) the cost breakdown of the medications $1,952,717

8910-0622 For the costs of providing voice communication services, including phone calls and other communication services free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication pursuant to section 87A of chapter 127 of the General Laws; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that beginning November 2, 2026, the Essex sheriff's office shall submit quarterly reports to the executive office for administration and finance and to the house and senate committees on ways and means on documentation of communication services provided free of charge including, but not limited to: (i) amounts expended for communication services, delineated by facility; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of each call by minute, delineated by facility; (iii) a breakdown of the cost of each other communication service offered by minute, delineated by facility; (iv) the number of phone calls, video communications, electronic communications and other communications services, delineated by facility; and (v) any changes in contracts for voice communication services, including any progress in maximizing purchasing power and consolidating contracts between the sheriffs and the department of correction; and provided further, that the executive office for administration and finance may require additional documentation as deemed necessary by the secretary $1,552,291

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 such 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 29, 2027, 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 2026; 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 14, 2026, 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 pretrial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning for the quarter ending September 30, 2026 and such data shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that not later than January 29, 2027, 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 for 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 2026, revenue projections for fiscal years 2027 and 2028 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 $919,337

Barnstable Sheriff's Office.

8910-0201 For the AA, BB, CC and DD object class costs of the Barnstable sheriff's office; provided, that staffing costs shall not be projected to exceed the amount appropriated in this item; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Barnstable sheriff's office shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the current fiscal year payroll spending projections including, but not limited to: (i) the number of full time equivalent employees; (ii) the current salary of each employee; (iii) the bargaining unit of each

employee; (iv) the additional costs of implementing any collective bargaining agreement for each employee over the next 12 months; (v) any plans to hire additional employees and the costs associated with those employees; and (vi) the ratio of full time equivalent employees to average daily supervisory population $31,462,659

8910-0202 For the delivery of a medication-assisted treatment program in Barnstable sheriff's office facilities across Barnstable county; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Barnstable sheriff's office 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: (i) the number of participants in the program; (ii) the breakdown of dosage and type of medications administered; and (iii) the cost breakdown of the medications $8,548

8910-0203 For the costs of providing voice communication services, including phone calls and other communication services free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication pursuant to section 87A of chapter 127 of the General Laws; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that starting on November 2, 2026, the Barnstable sheriff's office shall submit quarterly reports to the executive office for administration and finance and to the house and senate committees on ways and means on documentation of communication services provided free of charge including, but not limited to: (i) amounts expended for communication services, delineated by facility; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of each call by minute, delineated by facility; (iii) a breakdown of the cost of each other communication service offered by minute, delineated by facility; (iv) the number of phone calls, video communications, electronic communications and other communications services, delineated by facility; and (v) any changes in contracts for voice communication services, including any progress in maximizing purchasing power and consolidating contracts between the sheriffs and the department of correction; and provided further, that the executive office for administration and finance may require additional documentation as deemed necessary by the secretary $567,296

8910-8200 For the operation of the Barnstable sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 15, 2026, 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 pretrial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning for the quarter ending September 30, 2026 and such data shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026 the Barnstable sheriff's office office 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: (i) a detailed breakdown of all programs and services provided by the Barnstable sheriff's office in and outside of the sheriff's office facilities; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of providing each program and service; (iii) information on the participants or customers of the program, including whether they are incarcerated persons, a public entity, a private business or a nonprofit; (iv) comprehensive quantitative analysis of the impact that the program has on said participants, including their disciplinary record while in custody, their recidivism rate after release and their employment rate after release when applicable; and (v) the compensation rates for participants; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110.....$4,801,100

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 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.....$1,500,000

Bristol Sheriff's Office.

8910-8300 For the operation of the Bristol sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 15, 2026, 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 pretrial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning for the quarter ending September 30, 2026 and such data shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Bristol sheriff's office office 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: (i) a detailed breakdown of all programs and services provided by the Bristol sheriff's office in and outside of the sheriff's office facilities; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of providing each program and service; (iii) information on the participants or customers of the program, including whether they are incarcerated persons, a public entity, a private business or a nonprofit; (iv) comprehensive quantitative analysis of the impact that the program has on said participants, including their disciplinary record while in custody, their recidivism rate after release and their employment rate after release when applicable; and (v) the compensation rates for participants; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110.....$14,186,576

8910-8301 For the AA, BB, CC and DD object class costs of the Bristol sheriff's office; provided, that staffing costs shall not be projected to exceed the amount appropriated in this item; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Bristol sheriff's office shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the current fiscal year payroll spending projections including, but not limited to: (i) the number of full time equivalent employees; (ii) the current salary of each employee; (iii) the bargaining unit of each employee; (iv) the additional costs of implementing any collective bargaining agreement for each employee over the next 12 months;

(v) any plans to hire additional employees and the costs associated with those employees; and (vi) the ratio of full time equivalent employees to average daily supervisory population $47,097,864

8910-8302 For the delivery of a medication-assisted treatment program in Bristol sheriff's office facilities across Bristol county; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Bristol sheriff's office 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: (i) the number of participants in the program; (ii) the breakdown of dosage and type of medications administered; and (iii) the cost breakdown of the medications $549,587

8910-8303 For the costs of providing voice communication services, including phone calls and other communication services free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication pursuant to section 87A of chapter 127 of the General Laws; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that beginning November 2, 2026, the Bristol sheriff's office shall submit quarterly reports to the executive office for administration and finance and to the house and senate committees on ways and means on documentation of communication services provided free of charge including, but not limited to: (i) amounts expended for communication services, delineated by facility; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of each call by minute, delineated by facility; (iii) a breakdown of the cost of each other communication service offered by minute, delineated by facility; (iv) the number of phone calls, video communications, electronic communications and other communications services, delineated by facility; and (v) any changes in contracts for voice communication services, including any progress in maximizing purchasing power and consolidating contracts between the sheriffs and the department of correction; and provided further, that the executive office for administration and finance may require additional documentation as deemed necessary by the secretary $1,653,987

Dukes County Sheriff's Office.

8910-8400 For the operation of the Dukes county sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 15, 2026, 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 pretrial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning for the quarter ending September 30, 2026 and such data shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Dukes county sheriff's office 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: (i) a detailed breakdown of all programs and services provided by the Dukes county sheriff's office in and outside of the sheriff's office facilities; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of providing each program and service; (iii) information on the participants or customers of the program, including whether they are incarcerated persons, a public entity, a private business or a nonprofit; (iv) comprehensive quantitative analysis of the impact that the program has on said participants, including their disciplinary record while in custody, their recidivism rate after release and their employment rate after release when applicable; and (v) the compensation rates for participants; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110.....$1,272,892

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 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 $300,000

8910-8402 For the AA, BB, CC and DD object class costs of the Dukes county sheriff's office; provided, that staffing costs shall not be projected

to exceed the amount appropriated in this item; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Dukes county sheriff's office shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the current fiscal year payroll spending projections including, but not limited to: (i) the number of full time equivalent employees; (ii) the current salary of each employee; (iii) the bargaining unit of each employee; (iv) the additional costs of implementing any collective bargaining agreement for each employee over the next 12 months; (v) any plans to hire additional employees and the costs associated with those employees; and (vi) the ratio of full time equivalent employees to average daily supervisory population.....$4,830,458

8910-8403 For the delivery of a medication-assisted treatment program in Dukes county sheriff's office facilities across Dukes county; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Dukes county sheriff's office 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: (i) the number of participants in the program; (ii) the breakdown of dosage and type of medications administered; and (iii) the cost breakdown of the medications.....$50,179

8910-8404 For the costs of providing voice communication services, including phone calls and other communication services free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication pursuant to section 87A of chapter 127 of the General Laws; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that beginning November 2, 2026, the Dukes county sheriff's office shall submit quarterly reports to the executive office for administration and finance and to the house and senate committees on ways and means on documentation of communication services provided free of charge including, but not limited to: (i) amounts expended for communication services, delineated by facility; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of each call by minute, delineated by facility; (iii) a breakdown of the cost of each other communication service offered by minute, delineated by facility; (iv) the number of phone calls, video communications, electronic communications and other communications services, delineated by facility; and (v) any changes in contracts for voice communication services, including

any progress in maximizing purchasing power and consolidating contracts between the sheriffs and the department of correction; and provided further, that the executive office for administration and finance may require additional documentation as deemed necessary by the secretary $15,152

Nantucket Sheriff's Office.

8910-8500 For the operation of the Nantucket sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 15, 2026, 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 pretrial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning for the quarter ending September 30, 2026 and such data shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Nantucket sheriff's office 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: (i) a detailed breakdown of all programs and services provided by the Nantucket sheriff's office in and outside of the sheriff's office facilities; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of providing each program and service; (iii) information on the participants or customers of the program, including whether they are incarcerated persons, a public entity, a private business or a nonprofit; (iv) comprehensive quantitative analysis of the impact that the program has on said participants, including their disciplinary record while in custody, their recidivism rate after release and their employment rate after release when applicable; and (v) the compensation rates for participants; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110.....$442,789

8910-8501 For the AA, BB, CC and DD object class costs of the Nantucket sheriff's office; provided, that staffing costs shall not be projected to exceed the amount appropriated in this item; provided further,

that not later than November 2, 2026, the Nantucket sheriff's office shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the current fiscal year payroll spending projections including, but not limited to: (i) the number of full time equivalent employees; (ii) the current salary of each employee; (iii) the bargaining unit of each employee; (iv) the additional costs of implementing any collective bargaining agreement for each employee over the next 12 months; (v) any plans to hire additional employees and the costs associated with those employees; and (vi) the ratio of full time equivalent employees to average daily supervisory population $456,901

Norfolk Sheriff's Office.

8910-0601 For the AA, BB, CC and DD object class costs of the Norfolk sheriff's office; provided, that staffing costs shall not be projected to exceed the amount appropriated in this item; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Norfolk sheriffs' office shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the current fiscal year payroll spending projections including, but not limited to: (i) the number of full time equivalent employees; (ii) the current salary of each employee; (iii) the bargaining unit of each employee; (iv) the additional costs of implementing any collective bargaining agreement for each employee over the next 12 months; (v) any plans to hire additional employees and the costs associated with those employees; and (vi) the ratio of full time equivalent employees to average daily supervisory population $34,407,310

8910-0602 For the delivery of a medication-assisted treatment program in Norfolk sheriff's office facilities across Norfolk county; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Norfolk sheriff's office 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: (i) the number of participants in the program; (ii) the breakdown of dosage and type of medications administered; and (iii) the cost breakdown of the medications $855,328

8910-0603 For the costs of providing voice communication services, including phone calls and other communication services free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication

pursuant to section 87A of chapter 127 of the General Laws; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that beginning November 2, 2026, the Norfolk sheriff's office shall submit quarterly reports to the executive office for administration and finance and to the house and senate committees on ways and means on documentation of communication services provided free of charge including, but not limited to: (i) amounts expended for communication services, delineated by facility; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of each call by minute, delineated by facility; (iii) a breakdown of the cost of each other communication service offered by minute, delineated by facility; (iv) the number of phone calls, video communications, electronic communications and other communications services, delineated by facility; and (v) any changes in contracts for voice communication services, including any progress in maximizing purchasing power and consolidating contracts between the sheriffs and the department of correction; and provided further, that the executive office for administration and finance may require additional documentation as deemed necessary by the secretary $784,043

8910-8600 For the operation of the Norfolk sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 15, 2026, 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 pretrial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning for the quarter ending September 30, 2026 and such data shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Norfolk sheriff's office shall submit a report to executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) a detailed breakdown of all programs and services provided by the Norfolk sheriff's office in and outside of the sheriff's office facilities; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of providing each program and service; (iii) information on the participants or customers of the program, including whether they are incarcerated persons, a public

entity, a private business or a nonprofit; (iv) comprehensive quantitative analysis of the impact that the program has on said participants, including their disciplinary record while in custody, their recidivism rate after release and their employment rate after release when applicable; and (v) the compensation rates for participants; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110.....$6,720,762

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 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.....$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 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.....$160,000

Plymouth Sheriff's Office.

8910-0701 For the AA, BB, CC and DD object class costs of the Plymouth sheriff's office; provided, that staffing costs shall not be projected to exceed the amount appropriated in this item; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Plymouth sheriff's office shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the current fiscal year payroll spending projections including, but not limited to: (i) the number of full time equivalent employees; (ii) the current salary of each employee; (iii) the bargaining unit of each employee; (iv) the additional costs of implementing any collective

bargaining agreement for each employee over the next 12 months; (v) any plans to hire additional employees and the costs associated with those employees; and (vi) the ratio of full time equivalent employees to average daily supervisory population $77,163,818

8910-8702 For the delivery of a medication-assisted treatment program in Plymouth sheriff's office facilities across Plymouth county; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Plymouth sheriff's office 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: (i) the number of participants in the program; (ii) the breakdown of dosage and type of medications administered; and (iii) the cost breakdown of the medications $1,493,412

8910-0703 For the costs of providing voice communication services, including phone calls and other communication services free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication pursuant to section 87A of chapter 127 of the General Laws; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that beginning November 2, 2026, the Plymouth sheriff's office shall submit quarterly reports to the executive office for administration and finance and to the house and senate committees on ways and means on documentation of communication services provided free of charge including, but not limited to: (i) amounts expended for communication services, delineated by facility; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of each call by minute, delineated by facility; (iii) a breakdown of the cost of each other communication service offered by minute, delineated by facility; (iv) the number of phone calls, video communications, electronic communications and other communications services, delineated by facility; and (v) any changes in contracts for voice communication services, including any progress in maximizing purchasing power and consolidating contracts between the sheriffs and the department of correction; and provided further, that the executive office for administration and finance may require additional documentation as deemed necessary by the secretary $1,199,999

8910-8700 For the operation of the Plymouth sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 15, 2026, 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 pretrial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning for the quarter ending September 30, 2026 and such data shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Plymouth sheriff's office 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: (i) a detailed breakdown of all programs and services provided by the Plymouth sheriff's office in and outside of the sheriff's office facilities; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of providing each program and service; (iii) information on the participants or customers of the program, including whether they are incarcerated persons, a public entity, a private business or a nonprofit; (iv) comprehensive quantitative analysis of the impact that the program has on said participants, including their disciplinary record while in custody, their recidivism rate after release and their employment rate after release when applicable; and (v) the compensation rates for participants; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110.....$2,727,801

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 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.....$300,000

Suffolk Sheriff's Office.

8910-8800 For the operation of the Suffolk sheriff's office; provided, that not later than December 15, 2026, 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 pretrial, county sentenced and state sentenced incarcerated persons on a quarterly basis beginning for the quarter ending September 30, 2026 and such data shall be due not later than 30 days after the last day of each quarter; provided further, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Suffolk sheriff's office 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: (i) a detailed breakdown of all programs and services provided by the Suffolk sheriff's office in and outside of the sheriff's office facilities; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of providing each program and service; (iii) information on the participants or customers of the program, including whether they are incarcerated persons, a public entity, a private business or a nonprofit; (iv) comprehensive quantitative analysis of the impact that the program has on said participants, including their disciplinary record while in custody, their recidivism rate after release and their employment rate after release when applicable; and (v) the compensation rates for participants; and provided further, that the office shall provide relevant data to Massachusetts Sheriffs Association, Inc. to allow for the reporting of all requirements under item 8910-7110.....$14,827,915

8910-8802 For the AA, BB, CC and DD object class costs of the Suffolk sheriff's office; provided, that staffing costs shall not be projected to exceed the amount appropriated in this item; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Suffolk sheriff's office shall submit a report to executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the current fiscal year payroll spending projections including, but not limited to: (i) the number of full time equivalent employees; (ii) the current salary of each employee; (iii) the bargaining unit of each employee; (iv) the additional costs of implementing any collective bargaining agreement for each employee over the next 12 months;

(v) any plans to hire additional employees and the costs associated with those employees; and (vi) the ratio of full time equivalent employees to average daily supervisory population $115,043,090

8910-8803 For the delivery of a medication-assisted treatment program in Suffolk sheriff's office facilities across Suffolk county; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that not later than November 2, 2026, the Suffolk sheriff's office 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: (i) the number of participants in the program; (ii) the breakdown of dosage and type of medications administered; and (iii) the cost breakdown of the medications $2,904,064

8910-8804 For the costs of providing voice communication services, including phone calls and other communication services free of charge to the person initiating and the person receiving the communication pursuant to section 87A of chapter 127 of the General Laws; provided, that no funds in this item shall be expended from the AA or DD object classes; provided further, that beginning November 2, 2026, the Suffolk sheriff's office shall submit quarterly reports to the executive office for administration and finance and to the house and senate committees on ways and means on documentation of communication services provided free of charge including, but not limited to: (i) amounts expended for communication services, delineated by facility; (ii) a breakdown of the cost of each call by minute, delineated by facility; (iii) a breakdown of the cost of each other communication service offered by minute, delineated by facility; (iv) the number of phone calls, video communications, electronic communications and other communications services, delineated by facility; and (v) any changes in contracts for voice communication services, including any progress in maximizing purchasing power and consolidating contracts between the sheriffs and the department of correction; and provided further, that the executive office for administration and finance may require additional documentation as deemed necessary by the secretary $2,191,927

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 those

detentions from the law enforcement agencies and municipalities; 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.....$1,800,000

Executive Office of Aging and Independence.

9110-0100 For the operation of the executive office of aging and independence, including the MassOptions and 800-age-info customer service centers and the regulation of assisted living facilities; provided, that the secretary of aging and independence may transfer funds between items 9110-1630 and 9110-0600; and provided further, that not less than $500,000 shall be expended for the implementation of recommendations of the assisted living residences commission established in section 32 of chapter 197 of the acts of 2024 and to improve safety standards, emergency preparedness, and oversight of assisted living residences across the commonwealth.....$19,507,751

9110-0600 For health care services provided to MassHealth members who are older adults eligible for community-based waiver services; provided, 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 2026; provided further, that the eligibility requirements for this program shall not be more restrictive than those established in fiscal year 2026; 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; and provided further, that funds may be expended from this item for health care services provided to recipients in prior fiscal years $505,421,502

9110-1455 For the costs of the drug insurance program under section 39 of chapter 19A of the General Laws and for the operation of the prescription advantage program; provided, 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 of aging and independence shall allow those who meet the program eligibility criteria to enroll in the program at any time during the year; provided further, that the executive office shall take steps for the coordination of benefits with the Medicare prescription drug benefit created under the 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 notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary or unless otherwise prohibited by federal law, prescription drug coverage or benefits payable by the executive office 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 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 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 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 funds shall be expended from this item to implement the pre-admission counseling and assessment program established in 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 not less than $2,000,000 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 operational costs incurred by these programs $6,630,889

9110-1604 For the operation of the supportive senior housing program at state or federally-assisted housing sites; provided, that the executive office of aging and independence shall maintain at least the same number of sites as were maintained in fiscal year 2026; and provided further, that the secretary of aging and independence may transfer funds from 9110-1660 to this item..... $12,382,272

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 2027 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 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; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the Community Transition Liason Program; 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; and provided further, that the secretary shall expend not less than $1,400,000 between this item and item 9110-1633 on recipients of the home care over-income cost-sharing program.....$298,988,931

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.....$113,325,426

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 $51,596,156

9110-1637 For a grant program to be 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 executive office of aging and independence.....$1,183,570

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 $2,455,303

9110-1660 For congregate and shared housing services and the long-term care ombudsman program to include assisted living residences $1,719,158

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 $750,000 shall be expended for the Meals on Wheels Program for older adults.....$13,410,963

9110-9002 For grants to the councils on aging and for grants to or contracts with nonpublic entities that are consortia or associations of councils on aging; provided, that the formula grant portion of this item shall be $16 per elder; provided further, that notwithstanding the prior 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; and provided further, that not later than February 5, 2027, the distribution schedules shall be submitted to the house and senate committees on ways and means.....$29,224,266

LEGISLATURE.

Senate.

9500-0000 For the operation of the senate; provided, that not less than $100,000 shall be expended for a fellowship pipeline program in the senate, which shall seek to promote inclusive and diverse participation and exposure to long-term employment opportunities in the public service sector for traditionally underserved populations; and provided further, that not less than $200,000 shall be expended for the purposes of the Senate Artistic Upgrade and Representation Fund established in section 65 of chapter 3 of the General Laws $33,034,830

House of Representatives.

9600-0000 For the operation of the house of representatives $53,621,477

Joint Legislative Expenses.

9700-0000 For the joint operations of the legislature $10,724,566

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 2027. 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 2027 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 $32,853,995

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER.

1000-0005 For the cost of the single state audit; provided, that the comptroller may charge other appropriations and federal grants for the cost of the audit.....$2,000,000

1000-0008 For the costs of operating and managing the state management accounting and reporting system accounting system for fiscal year 2027; provided, that any unspent balance at the close of fiscal year 2027 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 2028 .....$10,834,246

1000-0601 For the office of the comptroller which, on behalf of the human resources division and the executive office of technology services and security, 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 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 $34,584,188

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 .....$16,203,972

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, mail and related services for agencies occupying state buildings or for services rendered to approved entities using state facilities $9,425,000

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 2027 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 2027 shall be re-authorized for expenditure in fiscal year 2028; and provided further, that prior year costs for hospital, physician, benefit and other costs may be funded from this item $66,137,011

1750-0106 For the workers' compensation litigation unit, including the costs of personnel $1,066,573

1750-0600 For the cost of core human resources administrative processing functions for all executive departments including, but not limited to, time and attendance and benefits $3,476,919

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 $8,201,002

1775-1000 For the provision of printing, photocopying, mailing and related graphic art or design work, including all necessary incidental expenses and liabilities $11,281,431

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 2027 shall remain in the Intragovernmental Service Fund and may be expended for the item in fiscal year 2028.....$210,624,447

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 2027 shall remain in the Intragovernmental Service Fund and may be expended for the item in fiscal year 2028.....$40,000,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS.

2000-1701 For the cost of information technology services provided to agencies of the executive office of energy and environmental affairs $6,620,837

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 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; 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; and provided further, that the executive office shall charge the agencies, departments, offices, divisions and commissions for the services under this item.....$49,496,475

4000-1701 For the cost of information technology services provided to agencies of the executive office of health and human services.....$73,868,754

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 2027 shall remain in the Intragovernmental Service Fund and may be expended for the item in fiscal year 2028.....$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, 2026; 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 2027; 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 15, 2027, 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 $75,955,529

4590-0901 For the costs of medical services provided at department of public health hospitals and charged to other state agencies..... $163,909

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..... $3,180,269

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 $3,091,734

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 $6,661,730

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, 2026 and not included as part of an appropriation item in this section is hereby made available for expenditure during fiscal year 2027 and shall be in addition to any amount appropriated in this section.

JUDICIARY.

Supreme Judicial Court.

0320-1700 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Court Improvement Grant.....$580,976

Committee for Public Counsel Services.

0320-1809 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY24 BJA Postconviction Testing of DNA Evidence.....$574,845

0320-1810 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY24 BJA Preventing Wrongful Convictions Program Expansion.....$265,994

Trial Court.

0332-3201 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Chicopee and Holyoke Access to Treatment and Services.....$316,500

0332-3501 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Maintain Independence and Sobriety Through Systems Integration $32,500

0333-0123 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Guardianship: Helping Vulnerable Adults Explore Alternatives to Traditional Guardianship $94,771

0337-0005 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, OJJDP FY 2021 Family Drug Program $125,000

0339-0612 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Project North..... $427,566

0339-1015 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Improving entry High-Tech Career Reeentry Path Project $300,000

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS.

Suffolk District Attorney.

0340-0109 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY24 Enhancing Prosecution..... $140,000

Worcester District Attorney.

0340-0471 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Worcester County Division and Drug Endangered Children $10,486

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, FY21 BJA Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI) $497,578

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 $38,205

0340-0844 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, BJA FY24 National Community Courts Iniative..... $288,758

0340-0845 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, BJAFY24 Comprehensive Opioid Stimulant Substance Use Site Base Program $431,003

TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL.

Massachusetts Cultural Council.

0640-9716 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Folk and Traditional Arts Initiatives $35,000

0640-9717 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Basic State Grant $934,238

0640-9718 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Artists in Education $62,900

0640-9724 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Youth Reach State and Regional Programs $278,800

MASSACHUSETTS DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL.

1100-1702 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Developmental Disability Act; provided, that in order to qualify for said grant, this account shall be exempt from the first $265,306 of fringe benefit and indirect cost charges pursuant to section 6B of chapter 29 of the General Laws $1,539,376

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

0810-0297 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, 2023 Stop School Violence Program $326,409

VICTIM AND WITNESS ASSISTANCE BOARD.

0840-0111 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, 2020 VOCA Grant Award) $29,799,343

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE.

Massachusetts Office on Disability.

1107-2450 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Rehabilitation Client Assistance Program $231,000

Department of Revenue.

1201-0109 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Access and Visitation Program $179,442

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF 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 $3,350,000

2000-0143 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, CZM IIJA Capacity $7,500,000

2000-9702 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National Parks Service Land and Water Conservation Fund $6,644,878

2000-9735 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Buzzards Bay Estuary Program..... $3,600,000

2030-0013 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Joint Enforcement Agreement Between NOAA-OLE-Fisheries..... $944,401

2030-9701 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Recreational Boating Safety Program..... $2,430,600

Department of Environmental Protection.

2200-9706 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Water Quality Management Planning $544,500

2200-9712 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Leaking Underground Storage Tank Cooperative Agreement $659,282

2200-9717 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Department of Defense State Memorandum of Agreement..... $994,083

2200-9724 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Superfund Block Grant $642,670

2200-9728 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Brownfields Assessment Program $478,394

2230-9734 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, CERCLA 128(a)Response Program Cooperative Agreement for MADE $2,645,000

2230-9735 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 $14,536,721

2240-9791 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Long Island Sound Project (IIJA) $3,516,667

2240-9793 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MASSDEP Emerging Contaminants SDC Grant $6,367,333

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 purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MassDEP EC-SDC Grant Program #2 ..... $8,071,250

2250-9712 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Clean Air Act Section 103 ..... $734,633

2250-9716 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts National Air Toxics Trend Station Program $149,000

2250-9750 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Clean Air Act (IRA) $234,094

Department of Fish and Game.

2300-0179 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grant Program $228,490

2310-0122 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, DFW Land Acquisition $2,250,000

2310-0125 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, W54R1 NEC Population Viability Assessment $60,000

2330-9222 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Clean Vessel $1,180,000

2330-9712 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Commercial Fisheries Statistics $240,000

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 Int ACCSP Implementation Strategic Plan $102,000

2330-9733 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Program to Test Cod Avoidance of Trawl Nets $60,000

2330-9739 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Turtle Disengagement $700,000

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 $175,000

Department of Agricultural Resources.

2511-0004 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FDA Food Safety $500,000

2511-0310 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Pesticide Enforcement Grant $450,000

2511-0400 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Cooperative Agricultural Pest Survey $350,000

2511-0972 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program $5,000,000

2511-1025 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Country of Origin Labeling - Retail Surveillance $35,000

2516-9002 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Development of Institutional Marketing $460,000

2516-9003 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Farmers Market Coupon Program..... $450,000

2516-9004 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program..... $520,000

2516-9007 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Organic Certification Cost-Share Program..... $20,000

2516-9008 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Resilient Food Systems Infrastructure $1,500,000

Department of Conservation and Recreation.

2820-9770 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FEMA National Dam Safety Program $4,898,673

2820-9705 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Identifying and Eradicating the Asian Longhorned Beetle $2,300,000

2820-9708 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, NRCS Dam Rehabilitation Funding for Watershed Restoration $4,097,240

2820-9903 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Volunteer Fire Assistance Program Grant cfda 16.698..... $274,084

2820-9919 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National Park Service's Historic Preservation Fund) $304,668

2821-9110 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Inflation Reduction Act Funding for Urban & Community Forestry Programs $382,315

2821-9905 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Urban and Community Forestry Grant $407,865

2821-9909 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Forest Stewardship Conservation and Education Grant $225,224

2821-9911 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Fire Assistance Grant $423,696

2821-9912 For the purposes of a federally funded Bipartisan Infrastructure Law grant entitled, Community Wildfire Defense Grant $26,343

2821-9913 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Hazard Fuels Management and Wildfire Risk Reduction Grant $485,692

2821-9917 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Forest Legacy Administration Grant $1,008,726

2821-9918 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, 2024 IRA Forest Legacy Admin Grant..... $2,215,562

2821-9919 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, 2024 USFSM-Underserved Forest Landowner Capacity IRA Grant..... $1,117,708

2821-9926 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Forest Health Program Grant..... $253,738

2821-9927 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Hemlock Woolly Adelgid Suppression Grant $65,520

2821-9729 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, 2023 IIJA Temporary Bridge Funding..... $300,000

2830-9733 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, USFWS Aquatic Invasive Species Management Grant $145,591

2840-9708 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, IIJA NOAA Capacity Building Habitat Coop Agreement $475,000

2840-9709 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Waquoit Bay National Estuarine Research $1,201,695

2850-9701 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Recreational Trails Grant Program $924,299

Department of Public Utilities.

2100-9013 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Rail Fixed Guideway Public Transportation System Safety Oversight..... $3,646,768

7006-9002 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Pipeline Security $4,869,021

Department of Energy Resources.

7006-9313 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, BIL - EECBG Program (IIJA) $49,492

7006-9314 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Ira-50121 HER $13,655,713

7006-9315 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Ira-50122 Hear $16,119,988

7006-9324 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, CHDV - Clean Heavy-Duty Vehicles Program $675,374

7006-9734 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Energy Plan - SEP $1,299,240

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

Office of the Secretary.

4000-0028 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, School Based Services $1,000,000

4000-0826 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Money Follows the Person Rebalancing Demonstration Grant $887,567

4000-1826 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Money Follows the Person Y4 ..... $914,195

Office for Refugees and Immigrants.

4003-0808 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Youth Mentoring.....$275,285

4003-0818 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Elderly Refugee Services.....$143,303

4003-0821 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Refugee School Impact $1,370,688

4003-0826 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Refugee Cash and Medical Assistance Program.....$28,599,370

4003-0854 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Refugee Health Promotion.....$1,216,380

4003-0855 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Refugee Social Services Program $5,211,360

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 $8,750,000

4110-3026 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Independent Living –Services to Older Blind Americans.....$680,000

4110-3028 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Supported Employment.....$10,500

4110-3029 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Fort Devens Vending Stand Award.....$2,296,500

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 $50,180,656

4120-0187 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Supported Employment Services Grant $396,031

4120-0191 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Informed Members Planning and Assessing Choices Together $235,100

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 $600,237

4120-0752 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Independent Living Federal Grant (Part C) $1,722,883

4120-0753 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Independent Living State Grants (Part B) $348.595

4120-0758 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Beyond Bridges: The Intersection of Behavioral Health & Traumatic Brain Injury $200,179

Department of Transitional Assistance.

4400-3064 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, SNAP Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention $2,491,188

4400-3067 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment and Training $3,180,708

4400-3073 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Summer Electronic Benefit Transfer Program for Children $2,830,615

4400-3076 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, TANF Data Equity $110,000

4400-3078 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, SUN Bucks Benefit $70,668,000

Department of Public Health.

4500-1002 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant 2018 ..... $4,845,171

4500-1056 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MA Rape Prevention and Education Program $862,158

4500-1057 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Sexual Assault Service Program $978,490

4500-1064 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Loan Repayment Program $839,800

4500-2000 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Maternal and Child Health Services $11,526,730

4502-1012 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Cooperative Health Statistics System $785,000

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 $223,410

4510-0120 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Rural Hospital Flexibility Program $364,663

4510-0223 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Oral Health Workforce Activities $400,000

4510-0224 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Small Rural Hospital Improvement Grant Program $81,168

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, Hospital Preparedness Programs $6,000,000

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 $82,248

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 $498,957

4510-0932 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Childhood Asthma Hazardous Substances Applied R D $833,000

4510-9041 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, ATSDR's Partnership to Promote Local Efforts to Reduce Environmental Exposure $489,275

4510-9048 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Indoor Radon Development Program $195,000

4510-9053 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Beach Monitoring $258,000

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 $518,678

4512-0100 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Sexually Transmitted Disease Control..... $2,091,000

4512-0108 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Mass Applications for STD Suveillance 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

4512-0193 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Building and Enhancing Epidemiology, Laboratory and Health Information Systems Capacity $18,000,000

4512-0194	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases	$15,000,000
4512-0195	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Build Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity	$6,596,528
4512-0197	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, New England Pathogen Genomics Center of Excellence	$6,586,209
4512-0198	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, New England Pathogen Genomics Center of Excellence	$3,357,557
4512-9055	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Promoting Integration of Primary and Behavioral Health Care	$3,228,960
4512-9069	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant	$52,919,376
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	$300,000
4513-0111	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Housing Opportunity for Person with AIDS Program	$700,758
4513-9007	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Women Infants and Children	$136,000,000
4513-9009	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, ARPA Technology for a Better WIC Experience	$288,500

4513-9014 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Enhancing Reviews & Surveillance to Elim Maternal Mort ERASE.....$495,000

4513-9021 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities.....$9,355,295

4513-9031 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Systems Development Initiative for MA.....$100,000

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.....$9,231,181

4513-9056 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National HIV Behavioral Surveillance.....$522,425

4513-9063 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education FY 2018.....$848,591

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.....$235,000

4513-9106 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MA Comprehensive Asthma Control Program.....$567,229

4513-9109 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Perinatal Quality Collaborative.....$325,000

4513-9110 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, B Existing PRAMS.....$175,000

4513-9112 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MA EHDI Project.....$160,000

4513-9113 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Maternal Infant Early Childhood Home Visiting Grant Program.....$10,441,379

4513-9117 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Birth Defects Study to Evaluate Pregnancy Exposures.....$855,000

4513-9121 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Pediatric Mental Healthcare Access New Area Expansion – ARPA.....$175,000

4513-9127 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Ryan White Title IV Program.....$532,810

4513-9130 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Maternal Health Innovation Program.....$1,000,000

4513-9131 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Transforming Massachusetts Pediatrics for Early Childhood $1,000,000

4513-9132 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Pediatric Mental Health Care Access Expansion.....$81,683

4513-9133 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Childhood Essentials Preventing Adverse Experiences $465,000

4513-9134 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MA Population-Based Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome Surveillance $527,991

4514-1013 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2015 WIC Special Project Grants.....$45,300

4515-0116 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Tuberculosis Elimination and Lab Control Co-op Agreement.....$1,649,717

4515-0211 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD and TB Prevention $1,080,585

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 $700,366

4513-1008 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, CDC Cooperative Agreement for Emergency Response: Public Health Crisis Response Influenza A/H5N1 and Pandemic Preparedness and Response Funding for state, tribal, local, and territorial (STLT)

Jurisdictions $669,777

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 $150,000

4516-1042 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MASPHL-NARMS Cooperative Agreement $185,000

4518-0520 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MA Violent Death Reporting System $257,816

4518-0535 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Expanded Occupational Health Surveillance in MA $641,054

4518-1000 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Procurement of Information for the National Death Index $75,000

4518-1002 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Death File – Social Security Administration $627,000

4518-1003 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Birth Records for the Social Security Administration $586,000

4518-9023 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Census of Fatal Occupational Inquiries $58,750

4518-9052 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System $750,000

4570-1010 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Strengthening PH Infrastructure, Workforce, and Data Systems $3,240,000

4570-1011 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, PH Infrastructure, Workforce, and Data System ARPA $5,000,000

4570-1527 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Personal Responsibility Education Program 2010 ..... $848,026

4570-1534 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Federal Drug Administration Tobacco 2011 ..... $741,537

4570-1548 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Paul Coverdell National Acute Stroke Prevention $672,000

4570-1549 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts Health and Disability Program $672,000

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 $3,130,048

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 $3,805,308

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 $7,051,031

4570-1577 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Family Violence Prevention and Domestic Violence and Support Service ARPA $9,257,424

4570-1581 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Health Equity for Priority Population with Risk for Diabetes $1,000,000

Department of Children and Families.

4800-0006	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Children's Justice Act	$309,459
4800-0009	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Independent Living Program - Title IV-E	$3,249,888
4800-0013	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Promoting Safe & Stable Families Program Title IV-B Subpart 2	$6,271,704
4800-0084	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Education and Training Voucher	$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, Child Welfare Services - Title IV-B Subpart 1	$3,393,806
4899-0021	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National Center for Child Abuse and Neglect	$1,889,650

Department of Mental Health.

5012-9182	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, BSCA Center for Mental Health Block Grants	$576,400
5012-9401	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Block Grants for Community Mental Health Services	$20,073,212
5012-9406	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, System of Care Expansion and Sustainability Grants	$784,083
5046-9100	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Shelter Plus Care	$377,577

BOARD OF LIBRARY COMMISSIONERS.

7000-9702	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Library Services Technology Act	$3,661,196

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Office of the Secretary.

7002-1007	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment	$30,000,000
7002-2025	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Capital Projects Fund	$20,000,000

Division of Insurance.

7006-6007	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Expanding Access to Women's Health Grant	$8,579

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	$75,735
7003-6628	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, OSHA 23G Operational Program	$1,437,932

Department of Career Services.

7002-6623	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, the Work Opportunity Tax Credit	$576,827
7002-6625	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Labor Certification	$429,651
7002-6626	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Employment Services State Allotment	$15,255,423
7002-6628	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Disabled Veterans Outreach Program	$3,114,312
7003-1010	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Trade Adjustment Assistance	$874,165
7003-1630	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Workforce Investment Act Adult Activities	$17,281,839

7003-1631 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Workforce Investment Act Youth Formula Grants $19,110,434

7003-1778 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Workforce Investment Act Dislocated Worker Formula Grant $22,092,181

7003-1785 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Apprenticeships USA State Accelerator Grant $1,676,565

Department of Unemployment Assistance.

7002-6624 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Unemployment Insurance Administration $103,400,000

7002-9701 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics $1,941,381

Department of Labor Standards.

7002-2013 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Mine Safety and Health Training $111,862

7003-4203 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Bureau of Labor Statistics Statistical Survey $68,664

7003-4212 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Asbestos Licensing and Monitoring $78,608

7003-4213 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Lead Licensing and Monitoring $409,962

7003-6627 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, OHSA Onsite Consultation Program $1,350,339

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 $5,020,575

4400-0707 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Continuum of Care Supplemental Housing $34,000,000

7004-2030 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Weatherization Assistance for Low Income Persons $10,500,000

7004-2033	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program	$166,000,000
7004-2034	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Community Service Block Grant	$20,000,000
7004-2041	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) (IIJA)	$7,000,000
7004-2043	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, BIL Weatherization Assistance Program (IIJA)	$8,000,000
7004-3037	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Small Cities Community Development Block Grant	$44,000,000
7004-9010	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Youth Homelessness System Improvement	$400,000
7004-9010	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Stability Voucher	$2,530,000
7004-9012	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Recovery Housing Program	$42,000
7004-9013	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Foster Youth to Independence	$1,500,000
7004-9014	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Federal Housing Voucher Program	$11,500,000
7004-9015	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Housing Choice Voucher and Moving to Work Program	$588,000,000
7004-9016	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Family Unification Program	$6,000,000
7004-9017	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Supportive Housing for Persons with Disabilities	$6,000,000
7004-9018	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Section 811 Project Rental Assistance	$4,000,000
7004-9019	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Program	$10,200,000

7004-9021 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, the Family Self-Sufficiency Program $1,400,000

7004-9022 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Emergency Housing Vouchers (ARPA) $9,750,000

7004-9028 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Home Investment Partnerships $22,000,000

7004-9029 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National Housing Trust Fund $11,000,000

7004-9038 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Home Investment Partnerships – American Rescue Plan 2021 ..... $20,000,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF EDUCATION.

Department of Early Education and Care.

3000-9003 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Child Abuse Prevention $971,500

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

7010-9706 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Common Core Data Project $210,569

7038-0108 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Adult Education and Family Litercy Act State Grant $13,643,877

7043-1001 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title I Basic Program $302,605,579

7043-1004 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title I Migrant Children $1,330,434

7043-1005 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title I Neglected and Orphans $900,459

7043-2001 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title II Teacher Quality State Grants $31,887,869

7043-3001 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title III Language Instruction and LEP Grants $19,714,919

7043-4002	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title IV 21st Century Community Learning Centers	$20,050,205
7043-4004	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants	$20,924,026
7043-4005	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Stronger Connections Grant (SCG) Program	$1,383,409
7043-6001	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title IV State Assessment Grants	$6,835,720
7043-6501	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title X Homeless Children and Youth	$2,129,376
7043-7001	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Special Education Grants	$339,339,359
7043-7002	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Preschool Grants	$10,888,209
7043-8000	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Formula Grant Funds Under Title I Perkins V	$23,338,413
7048-2004	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, CLSD Equitable Literacy Experience	$8,160,534
7048-2005	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Academic Assessment for Science Grants	$2,081,570
7048-2321	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, CDC Funding to Promote Adolescent Health	$107,500
7048-9144	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Migrant Education Program Consortium Incentive Grants	$58,794
7053-2008	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Nutrition	$4,896,236
7053-2103	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, CNP Training and Tech Assistance	$373,134
7053-2112	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Special Assistance Funds	$600,378,386

7053-2117 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Child Care Program.....$6,816,819

7053-2125 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Commodity Supplemental Food Program.....$272,980

7053-2126 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Temporary Emergency Food Assistance.....$2,708,762

7053-2266 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Team Nutrition Competitive Training Grant.....$375,897

7053-3272 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Direct Certification Performance Award.....$439,163

7057-2127 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FARM TO SCHOOL GRANTS ARPA.....$63,119

7062-0008 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Office of School Lunch Programs – Child Care Program Admin.....$9,222,797

7062-0017 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Charter School Assistance and Distributions.....$2,290,807

Department of Higher Education.

7066-6033 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Gear Up $3,200,000

Community Colleges.

7503-9711 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled – Student Support Services Program $224,165

7503-9714 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Bristol CC – Upward Bound Program $265,821

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY.

Office of the Secretary.

8000-0402 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Funds I.....$6,087,6000

8000-0405 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Funds II $8,000,000

8000-4692	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Homeland Security Program	$2,806,252
8000-4707	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Nonprofit Security Grant Program	$6,662,588
8000-4727	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program	$2,920,439
8000-4794	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Urban Areas Initiative Grant	$13,249,346
8100-4600	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention	$715,863
8100-4610	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2022 State Justice Statistics Program	$75,000
8100-4611	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Byrne Justice Assistance Programs	$4,360,620
8100-4622	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Residential Substance Abuse Treatment – Admin Grant	$332,138
8100-4627	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Sex Offender Registration - Grants	$326,269
8100-4628	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, NCHP – Admin Grants	$3,500,396
8100-4639	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, John R. Justice Grant	$109,241
8100-4645	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Support for Adam Walsh Act Implementation Grant Program	$71,735
8100-4646	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2020 Violence Against Women Act	$3,562,889
8100-4669	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program SCIP	$4,053,344

8100-4670 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Opioid, Stimulant, and Other Substance Use Grant Program.....$533,267

8100-4671 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Second Chance Act Reentry Initiative Grant.....$20,364

8100-4693 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Project Safe Neighborhood – Admin Grant $374,127

8100-4707 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Non-Profit Security Grant Program $3,673,887

8100-4708 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Nonprofit Security Grant National Security Supplement.....$2,012,863

8100-4727 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program $1,598,264

8100-4794 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Urban Areas Security Initiative.....$16,838,838

Department of State Police.

8100-1426 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2024 Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act $100,000

8100-2014 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration FFY2024 .....$400,000

8100-2015 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration FFY202 .....$3,000,000

8100-2408 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2024 Prosecuting Cold Cases Using DNA $189,793

8100-2541 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY2024 Cops Microgrant to Prevent Hate Crimes $79,961

8100-3003 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY23 COPS Anti Heroin Task Force Grant $1,109,763

8100-3004 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY24 COPS AHTF $800,000

8100-5459 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FF24 Port Security $50,000

8100-9777 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY24 Coverdell Formula $60,000

8100-9782 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY23 DNA CEBR $17,331

8100-9783 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY24 DNA CEBR $50,000

Military Division.

8700-0014 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Army National Guard Administrative Services $205,000

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.....$2,100,000

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.....$47,350,000

Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency.

8800-0005 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FFY24 Emergency Management Performance EOC Grant.....$7,000,000

8800-0040 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY23 Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant.....$800,000

8800-0042 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Hazardous Materials Transportation Act.....$600,000

8800-0050 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY23 Emergency Operations Center Grant.....$1,500,000

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.....$1,000,000

8800-1544 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2022 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program Management Costs.....$250,000

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, FY 2011 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Competitive Projects	$11,900000
8800-1744	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities 2020 Grant Program Management Cost	$500,000
8800-1844	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities 2021 Grant Program Management Cost	$100,000
8800-1944	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY22 Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities BRIC Management Cost	$1,000,000
8800-4372	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, March 2-3 2018 Severe Winter Storm and Flooding	$200,000
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, FY2023 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program Project Cost	$15,000,000
8810-1744	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities BRIC20 Project	$4,000,000
8810-1844	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities Project Cost	$100,000
8810-1944	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY2022 Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities Project Cost	$12,000,000
8810-2044	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, FY 2023 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities	$397,500
8810-4496	For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, COVID-19 Pandemic OG 2020	$2,000,000

SHERIFFS.

Middlesex Sheriff's Office.

8910-0174 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, BJA FY22 Comprehensive Opioid Stimulant & Substance Abuse Site Based $203,452

Franklin Sheriff's Office.

8910-0820 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, SAMHSA HEAL PDOA $136,059

Barnstable Sheriff's Office.

8910-8213 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Vivitrol Increased Participation Services $147,280

TRANSPORTATION.

6440-0089 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Commercial Vehicle Information Systems and Networks $390,933

6440-0090 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Commercial Driver License Information System Enhancement $667,366

6440-0091 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Fatality Analysis Reporting 22-23 ..... $123,065

6642-0018 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Non-Urbanized Area Formula Program $5,791,534

6642-0023 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Metropolitan Transportation Planning $97,916

6642-0030 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Transit Grant Bus and Bus Facilities $10,570,275

6642-0049 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Special Needs for Elderly Individuals and Individuals with Disabilities $1,300,264

6643-0018 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Springfield Area Track Reconfiguration Project $72,000

6643-0020 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Boston & Albany Corridor Admin $2,058,855

6643-0021 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, CFDPE / NEPA PA M $16,447,134

6644-0009 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Pollution Reduction Admin 09 ..... $50,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF AGING AND INDEPENDENCE.

Office of the Secretary.

9110-1060 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Medicare Improvements Priority 1 for SHIPs 25 ..... $281,283

9110-1061 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers for AAAs $226,513

9110-1062 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers for ADRCs $83,951

9110-1063 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title VI OAA MA to Support Family Caregivers 25 ..... $490,000

9110-1074 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Older Americans Act $136,703

9110-1075 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title VII Ombudsman $570,000

9110-1076 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title IIIB Supportive Service $13,650,175

9110-1077 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National Family Caregiver Support Program $5,031,670

9110-1079 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, IIID Preventative Health $682,679

9110-1089 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, APC6 ARP for APS $4,589,811

9110-1094 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, State Health Insurance Assistance Program $1,509,857

9110-1099 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Elder Justice Adult Protective 23 ..... $58,162

9110-1173 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Older Americans Act $21,271,490

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, Community Service Employment Program $1,185,466

9110-1199 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Elder Justice Adult Protective 24 ..... $114,345

9110-1094 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Massachusetts No Wrong Door Project 2025 ..... $450,000

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, 2027. 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, 2027. 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.

1595-1075 For an operating transfer to the Workforce Competitiveness Trust Fund established in section 2WWW of chapter 29 of the General Laws $5,000,000

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.....$400,000,000

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 $494,800,000 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 $548,032,400

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 18, 2026, 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 2026 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 $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 in section 4 of chapter 6C of the General Laws.....$604,961,384

Commonwealth Transportation Fund..... 88.40%
Education and Transportation Fund..... 11.60%

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 which 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 funds included in this item may be used for: (a) an income eligible, reduced fares program

under the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority for riders of all modes with low-incomes; (b) the operation of ferry services; and (c) the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority academy program to establish a pipeline for a skilled workforce; and provided further, that ferry services operated by or under contract with the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority including, but not limited to, services operated in fiscal year 2026 seasonally in the East Boston section of the city of Boston, the cities of Lynn and Quincy and the town of Winthrop, shall run year-round by the end of fiscal year 2027.....$470,000,000

Commonwealth Transportation Fund.....53.19%
Education and Transportation Fund.....46.81%

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 not less than $66,000,000 shall be expended for regional transit authorities to support operational enhancements and improvements, which may include, but shall not be limited to, expanded service hours, weekend services and route expansions; provided further, that funds provided under this item in fiscal year 2026 to provide more equitable distribution of contract assistance to regional transit authorities under section 23 of chapter 161B of the General Laws shall be incorporated into each recipient's baseline funding calculation for fiscal year 2027; provided further, that funds may be expended to regional transit authorities whose contract assistance under section 23 of chapter 161B of the General Laws is proportionately low in comparison to the net cost of service of the regional transit authority as compared to other regional transit authorities in order to provide more equitable fund distribution; provided further, that said funds shall be included in each recipient’s baseline funding calculation in future fiscal years; provided further, that funds not allocated under the preceding 3 provisos shall subsequently be expended for operating assistance to regional transit authorities based on the following formula: (i) 60 per cent based on total transit ridership as reported on the most recent certified national transit data base report; (ii) 30 per cent based on population of its member communities from the most recent census; and (iii) 10 per cent based on service coverage area determined by the total square miles of its member communities; provided further, that not less than $40,000,000 shall be expended for the regional transit authorities to maintain year-round fare-free service pursuant to

section 6A of chapter 161B of the General Laws; provided further, that the Massachusetts Department of Transportation shall oversee the distribution of said funds; provided further, that not later than April 1, 2027, the department shall submit a report to the joint committee on transportation and the house and senate committees on ways and means which shall include, but not be limited to: (a) a list of transit routes and services that regional transit authorities are operating without charging passenger fares; (b) summaries of such routes and services; (c) ridership data for such routes and services; (d) details on the mechanisms being utilized to track ridership; (e) the reimbursements, broken down by month and regional transit authority, that the department has provided or anticipates providing to regional transit authorities in fiscal year 2027 pursuant to section 6A of chapter 161B of the General Laws; and (f) the methodology used to determine the distribution of such reimbursements; provided further, that not less than $10,000,000 shall be expended on grants to regional transit authorities for the creation or altering of routes that advance connectivity between existing public transportation routes including, but not limited to: (1) regional transit authority bus routes; (2) Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority routes; and (3) local economic hubs; provided further, that the Massachusetts Department of Transportation shall oversee the distribution of said grants to the authorities and shall establish grant criteria including, but not limited to, the prioritization of: (A) opportunities for increased ridership; (B) opportunities for increased total mileage covered in a single trip; (C) opportunities to reach low income individuals; and (D) geographic equity; and provided further, that not less than $4,000,000 shall be expended for grants to transit providers to support expanded mobility options for older adults, people with disabilities and low-income individuals through the Community Transit Grant Program $217,450,000

Commonwealth Transportation Fund..... 37.99%
Education and Transportation Fund..... 62.01%

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

1595-0116 For the Genocide Education Trust Fund established in section 2MMMMM of chapter 29 of the General Laws to educate middle school and high school students on the history of genocide and human rights issues $3,000,000

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. Pursuant to section 6D of chapter 29 of the General Laws, as amended by section 16, the following table summarizes appropriations made in other sections funded by receipts from the income surtax pursuant to subsection (d) of section 4 of chapter 62.

			Funded through Education & Transportation Fund		Funded through Commonwealth Transportation Fund Dedication	
Item	**Item Name**	**Total Appropriation**	**Per Cent**	**Amount**	**Per Cent**	**Amount**
1595-6368	Massachusetts Transportation Trust Fund	$604,961,384	11.60%	$70,168,000	24.79%	$150,000,000
1595-6369	Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority	$470,000,000	46.81%	$220,000,000	53.19%	$250,000,000
1595-6370	Regional Transit Authorities	$217,450,000	62.01%	$134,832,000	22.99%	$50,000,000
1596-2414	MASSGrant Plus	$85,000,000	100.00%	$85,000,000	-	-
1596-2422	School Meals	$180,000,000	100.00%	$180,000,000	-	-
1596-2436	Mental Health Supports and Wraparounds	$2,000,000	100.00%	$2,000,000	-	-
1596-2439	State University SUCCESS	$14,000,000	100.00%	$14,000,000	-	-
1596-2501	Free Community College	$137,048,000	100.00%	$137,048,000	-	-
1596-2705	UMass SUCCESS	$10,000,000	100.00%	$10,000,000	-	-
3000-1045	C3 Stabilization Grants	$475,000,000	78.95%	$375,000,000	-	-
3000-3060	DTA and DCF Related Childcare	$597,233,977	20.00%	$119,446,795	-	-
3000-4060	Income-Eligible Childcare	$623,593,845	20.00%	$124,718,769	-	-
3000-6025	Commonwealth Preschool Partnership Initiative	$28,450,000	100.00%	$28,450,000	-	-
4000-0000	Human Services Transportation	$449,596,838	-	-	22.24%	$100,000,000
7009-6600	Early College Programs	$21,000,000	28.57%	$6,000,000	-	-
7027-0020	Innovation Pathways	$7,764,496	38.64%	$3,000,000	-	-
7035-0006	Regional School Transportation	$114,167,912	53.11%	$60,639,526	-	-
7035-0007	Non-Resident Vocational Transportation	$1,360,474	100.00%	$1,360,474	-	-
7035-0035	Advanced Placement Math and Science Programs	$2,250,320	100.00%	$2,250,320	-	-
7061-0008	Chapter 70	$7,658,399,506	7.52%	$576,086,116	-	-
Total				**$2,150,000,000**		**$550,000,000**

SECTION 3. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027 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 $1,376,109,515 and shall be apportioned to cities and towns in accordance with this section.

For fiscal year 2027 the total amounts to be distributed and paid to each city, town and regional school district from item 7061-0008 of section 2, 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 shall be deemed in full satisfaction of the amounts due under chapter 70 of the General Laws.

For fiscal year 2027, a district's school aid shall be calculated according to the provisions of said chapter 70, as most recently amended by Chapter 132 of the Acts of 2019, also known as the Student Opportunity Act. 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. Provided further, that the assumed special education enrollment percentage for vocational school students shall be set at 5.00 per cent and the assumed special education enrollment percentage for non-vocational school students shall be set at 4.00 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 to close 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 2026; 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 $160.

Chapter 70 aid for fiscal year 2027 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.

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	234.97	424.36	1,945.84	499.05	76.96	281.62	226.58	56.31	540.34	1,036.80	0.00	5,322.83
Kindergarten half-day	234.97	424.36	1,945.84	499.05	76.96	281.62	226.58	56.31	540.34	1,036.80	0.00	5,322.83
Kindergarten full-day	469.93	848.74	3,891.69	998.14	154.00	563.28	453.16	112.67	1,080.67	2,073.56	0.00	10,645.84
Elementary	469.93	848.74	3,891.63	998.14	154.02	563.28	453.16	168.97	1,080.67	2,073.56	0.00	10,702.10
Junior/Middle	469.93	848.74	3,424.65	718.52	166.94	563.28	453.16	276.02	1,171.58	2,239.93	0.00	10,332.75
High School	469.93	848.74	5,036.23	598.16	161.88	901.24	472.52	636.49	1,135.97	1,977.51	0.00	12,238.67
Vocational	469.93	848.74	8,561.64	598.16	267.63	1,577.15	472.52	636.49	2,126.02	2,488.68	0.00	18,046.96

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
Special Ed-in district	3,243.28	0.00	10,702.02	9,992.32	516.26	450.60	0.00	0.00	3,622.90	4,718.22	0.00	33,245.60
Special Ed-tuitioned out	4,137.24	0.00	0.00	63.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	39,280.88	43,481.32
English learners PK-5	120.50	210.87	1,476.04	210.87	60.24	150.61	90.37	30.13	361.48	384.32	0.00	3,095.43
English learners 6-8	129.25	226.15	1,583.04	226.15	64.61	161.53	96.93	32.32	387.68	412.17	0.00	3,319.83
English learners high school/voc	155.07	271.39	1,899.66	271.39	77.53	193.83	116.30	38.77	465.22	494.61	0.00	3,983.77
Low-income group 1	57.28	271.38	2,649.26	0.00	128.53	19.70	107.27	557.44	0.00	497.03	0.00	4,287.89
Low-income group 2	60.86	288.35	2,814.85	0.00	136.57	20.94	113.98	592.28	0.00	528.10	0.00	4,555.93
Low-income group 3	64.44	305.32	2,980.43	0.00	144.60	22.17	120.69	627.13	0.00	559.16	0.00	4,823.94
Low-income group 4	68.02	322.27	3,146.00	0.00	152.63	23.39	127.39	661.96	0.00	590.23	0.00	5,091.89
Low-income group 5	71.59	339.23	3,311.58	0.00	160.67	24.63	134.10	696.80	0.00	621.29	0.00	5,359.89
Low-income group 6	80.19	379.95	3,708.98	0.00	179.94	27.59	150.18	780.42	0.00	695.85	0.00	6,003.10
Low-income group 7	88.78	420.64	4,106.36	0.00	199.22	30.54	166.28	864.04	0.00	770.39	0.00	6,646.25
Low-income group 8	97.38	461.36	4,503.75	0.00	218.50	33.50	182.37	947.65	0.00	844.95	0.00	7,289.46
Low-income group 9	105.97	502.07	4,901.14	0.00	237.78	36.44	198.45	1,031.27	0.00	919.51	0.00	7,932.63
Low-income group 10	114.55	542.78	5,298.53	0.00	257.06	39.41	214.55	1,114.88	0.00	994.08	0.00	8,575.84
Low-income group 11	128.88	610.61	5,960.85	0.00	289.19	44.33	241.38	1,254.25	0.00	1,118.32	0.00	9,647.81
Low-income group 12	143.20	678.47	6,623.17	0.00	321.32	49.26	268.19	1,393.60	0.00	1,242.58	0.00	10,719.79

Municipality / District	Chapter 70	Unrestricted General Government Aid
ABINGTON	$15,164,118	$2,583,414
ACTON	$0	$1,934,547
ACUSHNET	$7,640,852	$1,971,728
ADAMS	$12,393	$2,977,324
AGAWAM	$27,760,200	$4,812,436
ALFORD	$0	$21,274
AMESBURY	$10,270,009	$2,560,489
AMHERST	$6,703,939	$10,803,079
ANDOVER	$16,197,960	$2,515,123
AQUINNAH	$0	$6,461
ARLINGTON	$21,226,373	$9,815,242
ASHBURNHAM	$0	$1,041,128
ASHBY	$0	$570,830
ASHFIELD	$93,683	$244,377
ASHLAND	$12,447,058	$1,836,105
ATHOL	$0	$3,391,044
ATTLEBORO	$63,226,636	$7,472,521
AUBURN	$16,115,849	$2,268,324
AVON	$4,488,051	$900,610
AYER	$0	$1,013,330
BARNSTABLE	$26,894,457	$3,010,821
BARRE	$0	$1,163,926
BECKET	$76,923	$128,183
BEDFORD	$7,054,469	$1,546,751
BELCHERTOWN	$15,052,600	$2,239,147

Municipality / District	Chapter 70	Unrestricted General Government Aid
BELLINGHAM	$10,967,237	$2,254,019
BELMONT	$13,660,219	$3,026,853
BERKLEY	$4,414,688	$811,695
BERLIN	$0	$278,370
BERNARDSTON	$0	$378,670
BEVERLY	$16,388,255	$7,610,015
BILLERICA	$22,129,264	$7,587,313
BLACKSTONE	$162,423	$1,777,713
BLANDFORD	$77,586	$167,586
BOLTON	$3,547	$291,517
BOSTON	$254,265,561	$237,970,254
BOURNE	$6,146,375	$1,986,332
BOXBOROUGH	$32,909	$357,829
BOXFORD	$2,161,403	$670,768
BOYLSTON	$54,141	$466,274
BRAINTREE	$22,754,750	$7,431,595
BREWSTER	$1,547,125	$573,775
BRIDGEWATER	$190,196	$4,763,678
BRIMFIELD	$1,831,387	$514,738
BROCKTON	$288,027,232	$26,898,102
BROOKFIELD	$2,002,366	$642,202
BROOKLINE	$18,876,413	$8,406,825
BUCKLAND	$7,677	$395,487
BURLINGTON	$11,059,876	$3,472,493
CAMBRIDGE	$23,847,887	$27,697,509

Municipality / District	Chapter 70	Unrestricted General Government Aid
CANTON	$10,034,440	$2,867,653
CARLISLE	$1,625,134	$314,944
CARVER	$11,067,283	$1,911,595
CHARLEMONT	$120,531	$226,883
CHARLTON	$0	$1,910,649
CHATHAM	$0	$240,184
CHELMSFORD	$16,278,424	$6,609,313
CHELSEA	$131,827,785	$10,540,888
CHESHIRE	$0	$789,848
CHESTER	$115,723	$233,735
CHESTERFIELD	$108,282	$181,114
CHICOPEE	$101,370,278	$14,770,972
CHILMARK	$0	$14,503
CLARKSBURG	$2,235,621	$465,746
CLINTON	$22,950,682	$3,054,367
COHASSET	$3,556,395	$707,637
COLRAIN	$8,760	$372,214
CONCORD	$4,818,025	$1,586,612
CONWAY	$669,446	$236,290
CUMMINGTON	$59,811	$110,297
DALTON	$337,786	$1,465,139
DANVERS	$10,648,870	$3,770,653
DARTMOUTH	$11,780,277	$3,406,890
DEDHAM	$10,556,123	$4,271,522
DEERFIELD	$1,265,859	$638,668

Municipality / District	Chapter 70	Unrestricted General Government Aid
DENNIS	$0	$794,968
DEVENS	$308,558	$0
DIGHTON	$0	$1,027,725
DOUGLAS	$9,358,683	$982,875
DOVER	$1,227,551	$287,151
DRACUT	$28,733,489	$4,621,233
DUDLEY	$11,040	$2,318,555
DUNSTABLE	$0	$333,738
DUXBURY	$7,763,410	$1,232,393
EAST BRIDGEWATER	$13,677,749	$1,977,677
EAST BROOKFIELD	$221,080	$378,645
EAST LONGMEADOW	$16,046,736	$1,931,938
EASTHAM	$588,199	$231,317
EASTHAMPTON	$9,308,822	$3,625,168
EASTON	$12,037,547	$2,927,389
EDGARTOWN	$1,331,177	$124,869
EGREMONT	$0	$89,370
ERVING	$629,866	$96,746
ESSEX	$0	$334,392
EVERETT	$128,092,523	$9,008,352
FAIRHAVEN	$10,285,363	$2,933,153
FALL RIVER	$250,598,336	$30,411,182
FALMOUTH	$10,478,249	$1,987,447
FITCHBURG	$92,786,527	$10,955,344
FLORIDA	$579,687	$67,259

Municipality / District	Chapter 70	Unrestricted General Government Aid
FOXBOROUGH	$10,485,512	$2,002,175
FRAMINGHAM	$93,930,862	$12,962,725
FRANKLIN	$31,218,083	$3,341,645
FREETOWN	$16,860	$1,255,929
GARDNER	$33,019,774	$5,443,505
GEORGETOWN	$6,189,672	$959,156
GILL	$0	$315,025
GLOUCESTER	$12,634,061	$5,211,896
GOSHEN	$111,470	$107,006
GOSNOLD	$0	$3,098
GRAFTON	$14,015,088	$2,106,666
GRANBY	$5,029,860	$1,146,901
GRANVILLE	$139,520	$211,712
GREAT BARRINGTON	$0	$1,001,791
GREENFIELD	$17,009,024	$4,091,022
GROTON	$0	$1,055,475
GROVELAND	$65,470	$960,084
HADLEY	$1,528,446	$606,587
HALIFAX	$3,735,263	$1,191,335
HAMILTON	$0	$896,761
HAMPDEN	$0	$895,550
HANCOCK	$475,796	$76,111
HANOVER	$8,471,971	$2,754,277
HANSON	$40,519	$1,678,532
HARDWICK	$10,500	$600,971

Municipality / District	Chapter 70	Unrestricted General Government Aid
HARVARD	$2,555,491	$1,898,706
HARWICH	$0	$643,448
HATFIELD	$1,012,456	$414,576
HAVERHILL	$96,427,042	$12,772,621
HAWLEY	$32,248	$56,643
HEATH	$0	$109,801
HINGHAM	$9,996,377	$2,156,864
HINSDALE	$104,923	$292,057
HOLBROOK	$13,156,698	$1,927,148
HOLDEN	$14,521	$2,540,105
HOLLAND	$1,080,634	$271,583
HOLLISTON	$9,981,860	$2,048,609
HOLYOKE	$110,598,472	$12,940,799
HOPEDALE	$6,585,260	$859,481
HOPKINTON	$11,540,499	$1,135,137
HUBBARDSTON	$0	$595,660
HUDSON	$14,243,100	$2,642,714
HULL	$4,288,024	$2,719,102
HUNTINGTON	$436,448	$445,339
IPSWICH	$4,776,506	$2,109,372
KINGSTON	$6,227,857	$1,308,730
LAKEVILLE	$119,449	$1,115,112
LANCASTER	$0	$1,260,749
LANESBOROUGH	$7,201	$453,067
LAWRENCE	$332,192,248	$25,145,868

Municipality / District	Chapter 70	Unrestricted General Government Aid
LEE	$2,392,845	$820,009
LEICESTER	$11,665,327	$2,249,827
LENOX	$1,533,843	$703,470
LEOMINSTER	$76,157,655	$7,472,728
LEVERETT	$437,488	$236,871
LEXINGTON	$20,399,075	$2,181,373
LEYDEN	$0	$108,283
LINCOLN	$1,535,658	$902,561
LITTLETON	$5,511,890	$967,520
LONGMEADOW	$8,220,391	$1,862,928
LOWELL	$275,966,413	$32,303,723
LUDLOW	$15,369,913	$3,969,167
LUNENBURG	$9,485,250	$1,410,967
LYNN	$327,335,160	$28,686,683
LYNNFIELD	$6,850,530	$1,398,850
MALDEN	$70,838,845	$16,143,162
MANCHESTER	$0	$319,882
MANSFIELD	$20,854,717	$2,966,353
MARBLEHEAD	$7,390,439	$1,579,576
MARION	$1,305,942	$322,937
MARLBOROUGH	$52,707,503	$7,108,567
MARSHFIELD	$16,701,173	$2,901,823
MASHPEE	$5,435,000	$579,896
MATTAPOISETT	$1,154,853	$557,787
MAYNARD	$6,186,200	$2,040,922

Municipality / District	Chapter 70	Unrestricted General Government Aid
MEDFIELD	$7,630,178	$1,909,517
MEDFORD	$19,272,206	$15,571,669
MEDWAY	$11,703,987	$1,627,690
MELROSE	$13,911,036	$6,619,965
MENDON	$38,052	$559,433
MERRIMAC	$36,094	$1,101,028
METHUEN	$72,676,678	$7,195,833
MIDDLEBOROUGH	$23,585,325	$3,264,826
MIDDLEFIELD	$13,290	$69,304
MIDDLETON	$2,046,759	$759,540
MILFORD	$55,270,258	$4,043,551
MILLBURY	$9,513,233	$2,315,988
MILLIS	$5,441,676	$1,376,861
MILLVILLE	$73,662	$532,162
MILTON	$13,473,284	$4,226,799
MONROE	$170,066	$23,794
MONSON	$7,992,519	$1,689,298
MONTAGUE	$0	$1,850,508
MONTEREY	$0	$66,099
MONTGOMERY	$32,160	$114,623
MOUNT WASHINGTON	$13,818	$38,552
NAHANT	$663,225	$496,643
NANTUCKET	$5,099,197	$214,129
NATICK	$15,344,137	$5,037,523
NEEDHAM	$15,595,834	$2,432,431

Municipality / District	Chapter 70	Unrestricted General Government Aid
NEW ASHFORD	$123,072	$27,245
NEW BEDFORD	$271,241,737	$29,434,636
NEW BRAINTREE	$0	$172,288
NEW MARLBOROUGH	$0	$84,738
NEW SALEM	$0	$137,216
NEWBURY	$16,934	$698,872
NEWBURYPORT	$6,510,535	$3,325,818
NEWTON	$32,235,914	$8,029,784
NORFOLK	$4,034,619	$1,287,990
NORTH ADAMS	$16,898,002	$5,621,230
NORTH ANDOVER	$13,775,969	$2,804,198
NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH	$22,877,567	$3,827,208
NORTH BROOKFIELD	$5,136,726	$1,029,714
NORTH READING	$8,429,947	$2,339,311
NORTHAMPTON	$9,019,229	$5,718,097
NORTHBOROUGH	$4,904,088	$1,513,509
NORTHBRIDGE	$16,692,113	$2,759,369
NORTHFIELD	$0	$472,445
NORTON	$14,044,622	$2,740,018
NORWELL	$5,882,618	$1,424,853
NORWOOD	$19,086,531	$6,040,496
OAK BLUFFS	$2,115,129	$133,104
OAKHAM	$0	$253,907
ORANGE	$7,131,555	$2,071,536
ORLEANS	$516,774	$264,887

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OTIS	$0	$58,026
OXFORD	$12,686,783	$2,666,089
PALMER	$12,360,019	$2,594,103
PAXTON	$0	$713,342
PEABODY	$39,044,161	$9,422,470
PELHAM	$358,213	$208,731
PEMBROKE	$15,014,594	$2,237,693
PEPPERELL	$0	$1,951,501
PERU	$91,030	$148,454
PETERSHAM	$727,308	$152,525
PHILLIPSTON	$0	$243,479
PITTSFIELD	$69,313,721	$11,087,682
PLAINFIELD	$83,804	$67,564
PLAINVILLE	$3,291,813	$1,023,684
PLYMOUTH	$31,322,417	$5,402,773
PLYMPTON	$1,239,805	$318,669
PRINCETON	$0	$396,902
PROVINCETOWN	$341,239	$201,551
QUINCY	$49,152,393	$24,584,891
RANDOLPH	$32,003,795	$6,747,126
RAYNHAM	$0	$1,540,449
READING	$12,931,313	$4,240,784
REHOBOTH	$0	$1,404,244
REVERE	$108,436,838	$13,283,644
RICHMOND	$573,273	$145,744

Municipality / District	Chapter 70	Unrestricted General Government Aid
ROCHESTER	$2,609,552	$575,462
ROCKLAND	$20,241,858	$3,430,348
ROCKPORT	$1,809,026	$600,548
ROWE	$163,075	$8,203
ROWLEY	$18,508	$722,141
ROYALSTON	$0	$233,970
RUSSELL	$255,579	$320,368
RUTLAND	$0	$1,227,459
SALEM	$32,898,737	$8,947,143
SALISBURY	$15,791	$860,692
SANDISFIELD	$0	$50,885
SANDWICH	$8,403,816	$1,564,566
SAUGUS	$16,641,482	$4,795,673
SAVOY	$537,259	$149,398
SCITUATE	$7,665,955	$2,658,600
SEEKONK	$8,599,658	$1,657,161
SHARON	$11,913,046	$1,890,367
SHEFFIELD	$17,905	$329,449
SHELBURNE	$0	$340,307
SHERBORN	$1,011,345	$304,960
SHIRLEY	$0	$1,688,737
SHREWSBURY	$23,420,930	$3,779,717
SHUTESBURY	$688,342	$224,625
SOMERSET	$11,280,197	$2,054,018
SOMERVILLE	$23,366,282	$32,012,832

Municipality / District	Chapter 70	Unrestricted General Government Aid
SOUTH HADLEY	$11,417,059	$3,393,230
SOUTHAMPTON	$2,819,438	$841,882
SOUTHBOROUGH	$3,671,623	$627,693
SOUTHBRIDGE	$36,441,720	$4,522,108
SOUTHWICK	$220,059	$1,643,339
SPENCER	$34,709	$2,910,877
SPRINGFIELD	$583,158,575	$48,346,691
STERLING	$0	$928,477
STOCKBRIDGE	$0	$139,725
STONEHAM	$8,291,383	$4,819,882
STOUGHTON	$31,998,924	$4,218,362
STOW	$0	$581,806
STURBRIDGE	$5,431,034	$1,043,961
SUDBURY	$6,593,364	$1,898,542
SUNDERLAND	$954,756	$657,776
SUTTON	$6,197,181	$1,047,347
SWAMPSCOTT	$6,109,390	$1,734,650
SWANSEA	$11,637,498	$2,476,198
TAUNTON	$109,617,416	$10,958,100
TEMPLETON	$11,493	$1,801,978
TEWKSBURY	$15,173,007	$3,715,137
TISBURY	$1,794,439	$160,859
TOLLAND	$0	$26,741
TOPSFIELD	$1,720,627	$815,688
TOWNSEND	$0	$1,708,663

Municipality / District	Chapter 70	Unrestricted General Government Aid
TRURO	$493,226	$57,008
TYNGSBOROUGH	$8,308,620	$1,303,671
TYRINGHAM	$72,676	$19,105
UPTON	$39,979	$729,507
UXBRIDGE	$10,361,060	$1,828,672
WAKEFIELD	$9,949,023	$4,423,878
WALES	$1,221,948	$308,430
WALPOLE	$11,377,480	$3,380,494
WALTHAM	$27,305,086	$12,472,827
WARE	$14,934,620	$2,229,071
WAREHAM	$17,155,112	$2,648,250
WARREN	$12,223	$1,166,340
WARWICK	$401,664	$164,419
WASHINGTON	$37,233	$121,495
WATERTOWN	$8,964,426	$8,586,969
WAYLAND	$8,378,020	$1,235,933
WEBSTER	$24,259,540	$3,222,542
WELLESLEY	$11,568,736	$1,858,627
WELLFLEET	$342,443	$101,461
WENDELL	$0	$224,167
WENHAM	$0	$572,173
WEST BOYLSTON	$3,503,475	$1,054,364
WEST BRIDGEWATER	$7,286,583	$875,241
WEST BROOKFIELD	$328,719	$637,177
WEST NEWBURY	$13,151	$405,707

Municipality / District	Chapter 70	Unrestricted General Government Aid
WEST SPRINGFIELD	$47,772,002	$4,690,151
WEST STOCKBRIDGE	$0	$131,457
WEST TISBURY	$0	$259,864
WESTBOROUGH	$13,452,856	$1,620,860
WESTFIELD	$46,092,037	$8,154,976
WESTFORD	$19,692,829	$2,842,615
WESTHAMPTON	$527,648	$193,218
WESTMINSTER	$0	$881,923
WESTON	$5,291,459	$558,774
WESTPORT	$6,077,452	$1,646,068
WESTWOOD	$8,250,386	$1,038,374
WEYMOUTH	$31,745,663	$11,328,516
WHATELY	$367,983	$179,867
WHITMAN	$174,351	$3,136,163
WILBRAHAM	$0	$1,937,379
WILLIAMSBURG	$892,871	$396,377
WILLIAMSTOWN	$0	$1,260,890
WILMINGTON	$13,051,370	$3,282,908
WINCHENDON	$14,590,171	$2,177,683
WINCHESTER	$12,084,323	$2,030,477
WINDSOR	$28,984	$135,710
WINTHROP	$10,768,036	$5,395,611
WOBURN	$16,125,949	$7,798,402
WORCESTER	$437,762,216	$53,396,854
WORTHINGTON	$514,362	$165,667

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WRENTHAM	$4,317,997	$1,259,170
YARMOUTH	$0	$1,770,230
TOTAL MUNICIPAL AID	**$6,695,466,289**	**$1,376,109,515**

Regional School District		
ACTON BOXBOROUGH	$17,981,291	$0
AMHERST PELHAM	$10,276,651	$0
ASHBURNHAM WESTMINSTER	$16,612,077	$0
ASSABET VALLEY	$11,659,434	$0
ATHOL ROYALSTON	$26,295,109	$0
AYER SHIRLEY	$9,264,373	$0
BERKSHIRE HILLS	$3,675,288	$0
BERLIN BOYLSTON	$3,320,001	$0
BLACKSTONE MILLVILLE	$12,330,088	$0
BLACKSTONE VALLEY	$9,795,822	$0
BLUE HILLS	$7,947,314	$0
BRIDGEWATER RAYNHAM	$35,105,190	$0
BRISTOL COUNTY	$5,343,254	$0
BRISTOL PLYMOUTH	$14,884,729	$0
CAPE COD	$3,692,990	$0
CENTRAL BERKSHIRE	$10,311,337	$0
CHESTERFIELD GOSHEN	$814,702	$0
CONCORD CARLISLE	$3,799,593	$0
DENNIS YARMOUTH	$14,475,005	$0

Municipality / District	Chapter 70	Unrestricted General Government Aid
DIGHTON REHOBOTH	$14,411,508	$0
DOVER SHERBORN	$3,121,252	$0
DUDLEY CHARLTON	$26,343,197	$0
ESSEX NORTH SHORE	$9,368,948	$0
FARMINGTON RIVER	$799,554	$0
FRANKLIN COUNTY	$6,291,558	$0
FREETOWN LAKEVILLE	$12,750,459	$0
FRONTIER	$3,128,227	$0
GATEWAY	$6,461,790	$0
GILL MONTAGUE	$8,209,343	$0
GREATER FALL RIVER	$25,119,750	$0
GREATER LAWRENCE	$42,612,739	$0
GREATER LOWELL	$38,740,488	$0
GREATER NEW BEDFORD	$39,925,494	$0
GROTON DUNSTABLE	$12,183,943	$0
HAMILTON WENHAM	$4,778,969	$0
HAMPDEN WILBRAHAM	$13,479,210	$0
HAMPSHIRE	$3,603,057	$0
HAWLEMONT	$682,610	$0
HOOSAC VALLEY	$12,635,071	$0
KING PHILIP	$8,675,978	$0
LINCOLN SUDBURY	$4,450,937	$0
MANCHESTER ESSEX	$3,684,266	$0
MARTHAS VINEYARD	$3,869,228	$0
MASCONOMET	$6,085,593	$0

Municipality / District	Chapter 70	Unrestricted General Government Aid
MENDON UPTON	$13,557,074	$0
MINUTEMAN	$3,241,069	$0
MOHAWK TRAIL	$6,489,734	$0
MONOMOY	$4,866,955	$0
MONTACHUSETT	$18,997,205	$0
MOUNT GREYLOCK	$5,302,346	$0
NARRAGANSETT	$13,247,157	$0
NASHOBA	$11,025,818	$0
NASHOBA VALLEY	$5,124,864	$0
NAUSET	$4,176,089	$0
NEW SALEM WENDELL	$953,720	$0
NORFOLK COUNTY	$1,574,815	$0
NORTH MIDDLESEX	$22,082,919	$0
NORTHAMPTON SMITH	$983,931	$0
NORTHBORO SOUTHBORO	$3,871,056	$0
NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN	$16,719,585	$0
NORTHERN BERKSHIRE	$7,181,352	$0
OLD COLONY	$4,401,625	$0
OLD ROCHESTER	$3,861,601	$0
PATHFINDER	$7,988,454	$0
PENTUCKET	$14,470,950	$0
PIONEER	$4,235,099	$0
QUABBIN	$17,724,542	$0
QUABOAG	$10,763,375	$0
RALPH C MAHAR	$7,293,658	$0

Municipality / District	Chapter 70	Unrestricted General Government Aid
SHAWSHEEN VALLEY	$7,202,253	$0
SILVER LAKE	$11,068,178	$0
SOMERSET BERKLEY	$7,346,821	$0
SOUTH MIDDLESEX	$10,058,369	$0
SOUTH SHORE	$6,073,177	$0
SOUTHEASTERN	$26,183,132	$0
SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE	$2,340,395	$0
SOUTHERN WORCESTER	$14,902,363	$0
SOUTHWICK TOLLAND GRANVILLE	$10,358,346	$0
SPENCER EAST BROOKFIELD	$14,547,460	$0
TANTASQUA	$11,921,949	$0
TRI COUNTY	$6,259,646	$0
TRITON	$9,977,405	$0
UPISLAND	$1,126,972	$0
UPPER CAPE COD	$4,862,780	$0
WACHUSETT	$38,607,953	$0
WHITMAN HANSON	$26,731,986	$0
WHITTIER	$14,231,622	$0
TOTAL REGIONAL AID	**$962,933,217**	**$0**
TOTAL MUNICIPAL AND REGIONAL AID	**$7,658,399,506**	**$1,376,109,515**

Inspector General Regulations

SECTION 4. Chapter 12A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2024 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out section 6 and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 6. The office shall, pursuant to chapter 30A, promulgate rules and regulations which shall govern its proceedings.

Regulations adopted by the office and a summary of such regulations shall be presented to the general court and referred to an appropriate joint committee, as determined by the clerks of the senate and house of representatives, not later than 5 days after the filing. The joint committee may vote to approve or disapprove the regulations. The regulations shall be deemed approved if, not later than 45 days after filing, a majority of the members of either branch on the committee do not disapprove of the regulations.

Upon the approval of the joint committee or no action being taken by either branch after the time of consideration has expired, the office shall forward the regulations to the state secretary who shall publish the same in accordance with section 5 of chapter 30A.

Inspector General Report 1

SECTION 5. Section 10 of said chapter 12A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 7 and 8, the words “When authorized by a majority vote of the inspector general council, the inspector general shall” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- The inspector general may.

Inspector General Report 2

SECTION 6. Said section 10 of said chapter 12A, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word “Any”, in line 11, the following words:- reports or.

Inspector General Hearings

SECTION 7. Section 15 of said chapter 12A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the sixth paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

A person summonsed to attend and testify under oath shall appear and testify under oath before not less than 2 persons designated by the inspector general, 1 of whom shall be the inspector general or an employee of the office who is an attorney admitted to practice in the commonwealth. Upon majority vote by the inspector general council, a representative of the inspector general council may attend the testimony. The inspector general may report on the testimony to the inspector general council in executive session.

Race Horse Development Fund

SECTION 8. Section 55 of chapter 23K of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 6 and 7, the words “9 per cent of its gross gaming revenue” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- 4.5 per cent of its gross gaming revenue to the General Fund and a daily assessment of 4.5 per cent of said gross gaming revenue.

Workforce Investment Trust Fund and Economic Development Trust Fund Reforms 1

SECTION 9. Chapter 23N of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 17, as appearing in the 2024 Official Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 17. There shall be a Sports Wagering Fund which shall receive revenues collected pursuant to sections 6 and 14. The fund shall not be subject to appropriation. The commission shall be the trustee of the fund and shall transfer monies from the fund as follows:

(1) 45 per cent to the General Fund;

(2) 10 per cent to the Workforce Investment Trust Fund established in section 18;

(3) 7.5 per cent to the Economic Development Trust Fund established in section 16I of chapter 6A;

(4) 27.5 per cent to the Gaming Local Aid Fund established in section 63 of chapter 23K;

(5) 1 per cent to the Youth Development and Achievement Fund established in section 19; and

(6) 9 per cent to the Public Health Trust Fund established in section 58 of chapter 23K.

Workforce Investment Trust Fund and Economic Development Trust Fund Reforms 2

SECTION 10. Section 18 of said chapter 23N, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 5, the figure "16" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- 17.

Workforce Investment Trust Fund and Economic Development Trust Fund Reforms 3

SECTION 11. Said section 18 of said chapter 23N, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out subsection (b) and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:-

(b) The fund shall be administered by the secretary of economic development in consultation with the secretary of labor and workforce development. Money in the fund may be: (i) expended to support existing workforce development programs administered by state agencies or quasi-public agencies that develop and strengthen workforce opportunities for low-income communities or unemployed or underemployed individuals or vulnerable youth and young adults; (ii) expended to support internships, apprenticeships or other work-based learning programs or programs that provide vocational or professional training to address workforce skills gaps or workforce readiness in priority economic sectors; and (iii) competitively granted to eligible recipients described in subsection (c).

Workforce Investment Trust Fund and Economic Development Trust Fund Reforms 4

SECTION 12. Said section 18 of said chapter 23N, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 25, the word "and" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- or.

Workforce Investment Trust Fund and Economic Development Trust Fund Reforms 5

SECTION 13. Said section 18 of said chapter 23N, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "permits", in line 31, the following word:- , apprenticeships.

Workforce Investment Trust Fund and Economic Development Trust Fund Reforms 6

SECTION 14. Said section 18 of said chapter 23N, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 50, the words "housing and".

Stabilization Fund and Long-Term Liability Financing Task Force and Budget Stress Test

SECTION 15. Chapter 29 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 5G the following 2 sections:-

Section 5G1/4. There shall be a standing stabilization fund and long-term liability financing task force to review and make recommendations relative to: (i) the appropriate long-term level of funding for the Commonwealth Stabilization Fund established pursuant to section 2H; (ii) the appropriate level and means of funding for long-term financial liabilities of the commonwealth; and (iii) amendments to the mechanisms that provide funding for the Commonwealth Stabilization Fund and other long-term financial liabilities, including the provisions of section 5G.

The task force shall review: (i) the statutory threshold for excess capital gains collections established in said section 5G in consideration of historical and estimated future capital gains collections; (ii) the disbursement percentages required under said section 5G; (iii) best practices

related to the funding of long-term financial liabilities among states; (iv) best practices related to the funding and size of stabilization and disaster relief funds among states; (v) the impacts of relevant fiscal policies on the commonwealth's credit ratings; (vi) an assessment of potential fiscal impacts to the commonwealth resulting from natural disasters, with consideration for historical experience and trends; and (vii) any other relevant fiscal factors to ensure the most prudent use of state revenues. The task force shall consider said disbursement percentages in consideration of the relative size or funding level of the Commonwealth Stabilization Fund, the State Retiree Benefits Trust Fund established pursuant to section 24 of chapter 32A, the Commonwealth's Pension Liability Fund established pursuant to subsection (e) of subdivision 8 of section 22 of chapter 32 and other long-term financial liabilities of the commonwealth.

The task force shall consist of: the secretary of administration and finance who shall serve as chair; the state treasurer, or a designee; the comptroller, or a designee; the commissioner of revenue, or a designee; 1 person to be appointed by the governor who shall be an expert in public finance and who shall be a resident of the commonwealth; and 1 person to be appointed by the state treasurer who shall be an expert in state public finance.

The task force shall report on its analysis and issue recommendations to the clerks of the senate and house of representatives not later than June 1, 2030 and every 5 years thereafter.

Section 5G1/2. The executive office for administration and finance, in consultation with the department of revenue, shall annually conduct a multi-year budget forecast and evaluate the potential prospective stress impacts of economic scenarios, to be determined by the secretary of administration and finance, for at least the next 3 fiscal years including, but not limited to: (i) notable causes of potential deficiencies and key risk factors impacting the state budget; (ii) potential effects of economic changes on tax revenue collections and spending pressures; and

(iii) sufficiency of the Commonwealth Stabilization Fund established in section 2H and other reserve balances, as identified by the secretary, in offsetting potential revenue declines and spending pressures. The executive office shall submit a report to the senate and house committees on ways and means annually, not later than October 31, with the results of the multi-year forecast and stress impact evaluation.

Income Surtax Appropriations Summary Table

SECTION 16. Section 6D of chapter 29 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2024 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 24 to 26, inclusive, the words "set forth appropriations funded from the Education and Transportation Fund and Education and Transportation Innovation and Capital Fund" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- "be a summary table of appropriations made in other sections funded by receipts from the income surtax pursuant to subsection (d) of section 4 of chapter 62".

Triennial Pension Funding Schedule

SECTION 17. Subdivision (1) of section 22C of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the third paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, appropriations or transfers made to the Commonwealth's Pension Liability Fund in fiscal years 2027 to 2029, inclusive, shall be made in accordance with the following funding schedule: (i) $5,130,518,640 in fiscal year 2027; (ii) $5,335,739,386 in fiscal year 2028; and (iii) $5,549,168,961 in fiscal year 2029. Notwithstanding any provision of this subdivision to the contrary, any adjustments to these amounts shall be limited to increases in the schedule amounts for each of the specified years.

Electronic Notifications 1

SECTION 18. Section 5 of chapter 40A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "sent", in lines 31 and 44, each time it appears, the following words:- electronically or.

Electronic Notifications 2

SECTION 19. Said section 5 of said chapter 40A, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting, after the word "notice", in line 37, the following words:- electronically or.

Housing Production 1

SECTION 20. Section 6 of said chapter 40A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 3, the word "issued" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- or other entitlement applied for under this chapter.

Housing Production 2

SECTION 21. Said section 6 of said chapter 40A is hereby further amended by inserting after the second sentence the following sentence:- "Additionally, structures on lots with pre-existing nonconformities as to lot size or shape, frontage, lot coverage or floor area ratio may be extended or altered as of right provided such extension or alteration complies with the current dimensional regulations regarding height, stories and setback.".

Housing Production 3

SECTION 22. Said section 6 of said chapter 40A is hereby further amended by striking out the second and third paragraphs and inserting in place thereof the following 2 paragraphs:-

A zoning ordinance or by-law shall provide that construction or operations under a building permit shall conform to any subsequent amendment of the ordinance or by-law unless the use or construction is commenced not more than 24 months after the issuance of the last permit necessary for construction and, in cases involving construction, unless such construction

is continued through to completion as continuously and expeditiously as is reasonable. The 24-month period shall be tolled during any time the applicant is actively seeking or obtaining other necessary permits. Construction or operations under a special permit issued pursuant to section 9 or site plan approval pursuant to the local ordinance or by-law shall conform to any subsequent amendment of the zoning ordinance or by-law or of any other local land use regulations unless the use or construction is commenced within a period of 3 years after the issuance of the special permit or site plan approval and, in cases involving construction, unless such construction is continued through to completion as continuously and expeditiously as is reasonable. For the purpose of the prior sentence, construction involving the redevelopment of previously disturbed land shall be deemed to have commenced upon substantial investment in site preparation or infrastructure construction, and construction of developments intended to proceed in phases shall proceed expeditiously, but not continuously, among phases.

A zoning ordinance or by-law may define and regulate nonconforming uses and structures abandoned or not used for a period of 4 years or more.

Housing Production 4

SECTION 23. Said chapter 40A of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 10 and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 10. The permit granting authority shall have the power, after public hearing for which notice has been given by publication and posting as provided under section 11 and by mailing to all parties in interest, to grant upon appeal or upon petition with respect to particular land or structures a variance from the terms of the applicable zoning ordinance or by-law if such permit granting authority specifically finds that a literal enforcement of the provisions of the ordinance or by-law would result in a practical difficulty. In making its determination, the permit

granting authority shall weigh the benefits to the appellant or petitioner and to the public interest including the interest in supporting the production of housing against the detriment to the health, safety and welfare of the neighborhood, and may also consider: (a) whether the practical difficulty relates to soil conditions, shape or topography of such land or structures; (b) whether the literal enforcement would impose a financial hardship on the appellant or petitioner; (c) whether the benefit sought by the appellant or petitioner can be achieved by some other method feasible for the appellant or petitioner to achieve; and (d) whether the practical difficulty was self-created.

Except where local ordinances or by-laws expressly permit variances for use, no variance may authorize a use or activity other than residential, not otherwise permitted in the district in which the land or structure is located; provided, however, that such variances properly granted prior to January 1, 1976, but limited in time, may be extended on the same terms and conditions that were in effect for such variance upon said effective date. If the rights authorized by a variance are not exercised within 2 years of the date of grant of such variance, which shall not include such time required to pursue other entitlements necessary to construct the project authorized by the variance or await the determination of an appeal referred to in section 17, such rights shall lapse; provided, however, that the permit granting authority in its discretion and upon written application by the grantee of such rights may extend the time for exercise of such rights for a period not to exceed 2 years; and provided further, that the application for such extension is filed with such permit granting authority prior to the expiration of such 2 year period. If the permit granting authority does not grant such extension within 30 days of the date of application therefor, and upon the expiration of the original 2 year period, such rights may be reestablished only after notice and a new hearing pursuant to the provisions of this section.

Electronic Notifications 3

SECTION 24. Section 11 of said chapter 40A, as appearing in the 2024 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, after the word “sent”, in line 8, the following words:- electronically or.

Electronic Notifications 4

SECTION 25. Said section 11 of said chapter 40A, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting, after the word “notice”, in line 23, the following words:- electronically or.

DNA Exception to Statute of Limitations 1

SECTION 26. Chapter 41 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 97B1/2, as appearing in the 2024 Official Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 97B1/2. (a) A hospital licensed pursuant to chapter 111 and all other medical facilities that conduct medical forensic examinations shall notify a local law enforcement agency at the time the evidence of a sexual assault is obtained and not later than 24 hours after using a new kit for the collection of sexual assault evidence.

(b) Local law enforcement agencies shall:

(1) Take possession of the sexual assault evidence kit from hospitals and other medical facilities that conduct medical forensic examinations within 3 business days of notification.

(2) Submit new sexual assault evidence kits to the crime laboratory within the department of the state police or the police department of a municipality that operates a crime laboratory and has a population of more than 150,000, in the case of a sexual assault alleged to have taken place in that municipality, within 7 business days of taking possession, except that non-investigatory sexual assault evidence kits associated with a victim who has not yet filed a report with law

enforcement shall not be subject to the 7-day requirement. Non-investigatory kits shall be safely stored by law enforcement in a manner that preserves evidence for the duration of the statute of limitations for all sexual assault and rape cases; provided, however, that all kits shall be retained for not less than 15 years.

(c) The crime laboratory within the department of the state police or the police department of a municipality that operates a crime laboratory and has a population of more than 150,000, in the case of a sexual assault alleged to have taken place in that municipality, shall test all sexual assault evidence kits within 30 days of receipt from local law enforcement, notwithstanding the statute of limitations of the underlying offense.

(d) In cases where testing results in a DNA profile, the crime laboratory shall enter the full profile into CODIS and the state DNA database.

(e) Each sexual assault evidence kit shall be entered into the statewide sexual assault evidence kit tracking system pursuant to section 18X of chapter 6A.

Foundation Budget Review Commission 1

SECTION 27. Chapter 70 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 4, as so appearing, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 4. (a) Upon action of the general court, there shall be a foundation budget review commission to review the way foundation budgets are calculated and to make recommendations for potential changes in those calculations as the commission deems appropriate for pre-kindergarten to grade 12, inclusive; provided, however, that the commission shall be established not less than every 10 years. The commission shall seek to determine the educational programs and services necessary to achieve the commonwealth's educational goals and to prepare students to achieve passing scores on the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System

examinations. The review shall include, but not be limited to, components of the foundation budget created pursuant to section 3 and subsequent changes made to the foundation budget by law. The commission shall seek to determine and recommend measures to promote the adoption of ways in which resources can be most effectively utilized and consider various models of efficient and effective resource allocation. In conducting the review, the commissioner of elementary and secondary education and the commissioner of revenue shall provide to the commission any data and information the commissioners consider relevant to the commission's charge.

(b) Members of the commission shall consist of: the senate and house chairs of the joint committee on education, who shall serve as co-chairs; the secretary of education, or a designee; the commissioner of elementary and secondary education, or a designee; the commissioner of early education and care, or a designee; the secretary of administration and finance, or a designee; a representative from the department of revenue's division of local services; the speaker of the house of representatives, or a designee; the president of the senate, or a designee; the minority leader of the house of representatives, or a designee; the minority leader of the senate, or a designee; the governor, or a designee; the chair of the senate committee on ways and means, or a designee; the chair of the house committee on ways and means, or a designee; 1 member to be appointed by the president of the senate; 1 member to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; the director of rural affairs of the executive office of economic development, or a designee; the president of the Massachusetts Municipal Association, Inc.; the executive director of the Massachusetts Business Alliance for Education, Inc.; the president of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees, Inc.; the president of the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents, Inc.; the president of the Massachusetts Teachers

Association; the president of the American Federation of Teachers Massachusetts; the executive director of the Massachusetts Association of Vocational Administrators, Inc.; the president of the Massachusetts Association of Regional Schools, Inc.; the president of the Massachusetts Taxpayers Foundation; the executive director of the Tufts University's Center for State Policy Analysis; the president of the Massachusetts Association of School Business Officials; and 1 member to be appointed by the governor, who shall have experience in elementary and secondary education finance or municipal finance in the commonwealth.

(c) Members of the commission shall receive no compensation for their services but may be reimbursed for the reasonable expenses incurred in carrying out their responsibilities as members of the commission. The commissioner of elementary and secondary education shall furnish staff and other support for the work of the commission. It shall not constitute a violation of chapter 268A for a person employed by a school district to serve on the commission or to participate in commission deliberations that may have a financial impact on the district employing that person or on the rate at which that person may be compensated. The commission may establish procedures to ensure that no such person participates in commission deliberations that may directly affect the school districts employing any such person or that may directly affect the rate at which any such person is compensated.

(d) Prior to issuing its recommendations, the commission shall conduct at least 4 public hearings across geographically diverse regions of the commonwealth. The commission shall file its report with findings and recommendations, including any legislative or regulatory changes that may be necessary to implement its recommendations, by filing the same with the clerks of the senate and house of representatives, the joint committee on education and the senate and

house committees on ways and means. The report shall be made publicly available on the website of the department of elementary and secondary education.

Simplified Subscription Cancellations

SECTION 28. Chapter 93 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

Section 116. (a) For the purposes of this section, the following words shall have the following meanings, unless the context requires otherwise:-

"Negative option feature", a provision of a contract under which the consumer's silence or failure to take affirmative action to reject a good or service or to cancel or non-renew an agreement is interpreted by the seller as acceptance or continuing acceptance of the offer including, but not limited to: (i) an automatic renewal; (ii) a continuity plan; (iii) a free-to-pay conversion or fee-to-pay conversion; or (iv) a pre-notification negative option plan.

"Product", a good, whether tangible or intangible, or service available for sale or included as part of a sale for personal, family or household use, including memberships, subscriptions and dwelling units available for rent or lease.

(b) In connection with any advertising, marketing, solicitation or offer of sale that is targeted to or results in a sale in the commonwealth, it shall be unlawful:

(1) For any product with a negative option feature, failing to provide a simple mechanism for a consumer to cancel the negative option feature and avoid being charged for the product and immediately stop any recurring charges; provided, however, that the simple mechanism required by this paragraph shall be at least as easy to access and use as the method the consumer used to initiate the negative option feature and shall, at a minimum, be available through the same medium the consumer used to initiate the negative option feature.

(2) For any product with a negative option feature exceeding 31 days, failing to provide the consumer written notice within not more than 30 and not fewer than 5 calendar days prior to the date upon which the consumer is required to cancel in order to avoid incurring a subsequent financial obligation, which discloses clearly and conspicuously: (i) any financial obligations that may be incurred if the consumer fails to cancel the negative option feature; (ii) all products for which the consumer may incur a financial obligation if the consumer fails to cancel the negative option feature; (iii) the mechanism by which the consumer may cancel the negative option feature, which shall comply with paragraph (1); (iv) the calendar date by which the consumer must cancel the negative option feature in order to avoid incurring a financial obligation; and (v) the calendar date on which the consumer will incur any financial obligation if the consumer fails to cancel the negative option feature.

(c) The provisions of this section shall apply to the conduct specified herein unless preempted by federal law.

(d) The attorney general may promulgate regulations interpreting the provisions of this section, including disclosure and notice requirements applicable to products with a negative option feature. Such rules and regulations shall not be inconsistent with the rules, regulations and decisions of the Federal Trade Commission and the federal courts interpreting the provisions of 15 U.S.C. 45(a)(1), also known as the Federal Trade Commission Act, as from time to time amended.

(e) A violation of this section shall constitute an unfair or deceptive act or practice pursuant to chapter 93A.

Direct Negotiations for Rebates on Certain Drugs and Non-Drug Products

SECTION 29. Chapter 118E of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 12A the following section:-

Section 12B. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the secretary of health and human services may directly negotiate rebate agreements with manufacturers of non-drug products and drugs that are not covered outpatient drugs under 42 U.S.C. § 1396r-8 if such agreements maximize value to the commonwealth; provided, however, that the secretary shall not be subject to any otherwise applicable requirements set forth in 801 CMR 21.00 or any successor regulation. Such agreements may be based on the value, efficacy or outcomes of the non-drug product or drug.

Alternative Service of Notice

SECTION 30. The second paragraph of section 24 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2024 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the fifth sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- If the identity or whereabouts of a parent is unknown, the petitioner shall, upon motion and with leave of the court, cause notice to be served upon such parent by: (i) publication once a week for 3 consecutive weeks in any newspaper as the court may order; (ii) publication on a website designed for such purpose for 3 consecutive weeks; or (iii) electronic means reasonably calculated to reach the parent as determined by the court.

Streamlined Disposition of Public Housing

SECTION 31. Section 26 of chapter 121B of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 276 and 277, the words “for not less than 2 years,”.

Youth Employment Permitting

SECTION 32. Chapter 149 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out sections 86 to 89, inclusive, as so appearing, and inserting in place thereof the following 4 sections:-

Section 86. A person shall not employ a child, other than a child over the age of 14 who has been granted an employment permit pursuant to section 87 when it is determined that the welfare of the child will be better served through the granting of the permit, in any place of employment, other than street trades described in section 69; provided, however, that a child 14 years of age or older in co-operative courses in a public school may be employed by a co-operating establishment upon securing from the superintendent of schools a permit covering the co-operating employment. Children between 14 and 16 years of age who possess the educational qualifications set forth in section 1 of chapter 76 and are employed in private domestic service or service on farms shall be required to secure a permit issued by the superintendent of schools covering such employment. A person employing a minor 14 years of age or older shall procure and keep on file, accessible to the minor, to supervisors of attendance of the town, to agents of the department of elementary and secondary education, to agents of the department and to the attorney general or the attorney general's authorized agents or inspectors, the permit for employment issued to the minor and shall keep a complete list of the names and ages of all minors so employed.

The department shall provide for a process that allows for youth employees to submit complaints of workplace rights violations.

All documents related to this section may be provided, generated, approved and signed in an electronic format as approved by the department.

Section 87. Each superintendent of schools or, where there is no superintendent of schools, the school committee, shall designate a youth work permit coordinator.

An employment permit shall be issued only by the superintendent, or the superintendent's designee, or by the youth work permit coordinator of the town wherein the child to whom it is issued resides during their employment or in the town wherein the child attends school or, if the child resides outside the commonwealth, of the town wherein the child is to be employed; provided, however, that no person authorized shall issue a permit for a child then in or about to enter that person's own employment or the employment of a firm or corporation of which that person is a member, officer or employee, except when the child is employed by the school or school district in which they are enrolled. Minors 17 years of age or older who can show documented proof of a high school diploma or the equivalent thereof to the youth work permit coordinator may be employed without the signature of the youth work permit coordinator or any person so authorized.

A minor seeking an employment permit shall submit an application to the applicable youth work permit coordinator. The youth work permit coordinator, either before or after the minor receives an offer of employment, shall receive, examine, approve and file the following duly-executed documents:

(i) the school record of a minor under 16 years of age, filled out and signed as provided in section 88, except when such record may be waived thereunder, and evidence that a minor 16 years of age or older meets the requirements for the completion of the sixth grade of the public schools of the town wherein the minor resides;

(ii) for a minor under 16 years of age, a certificate, signed within the previous 12 months, by a school or family healthcare provider or by a healthcare provider appointed by the applicable

school committee, stating that the minor has been examined by the healthcare provider and, in the provider's opinion, is in sound health; and

(iii) evidence of age, showing that the child is of the age required for the issuance of the permit, which shall consist of at least 1 of the following:

(a) a birth certificate or a duly-attested transcript thereof made by a registrar of vital statistics or other officer charged with the duty of recording births; or

(b) a religious record, or a duly-attested transcript thereof, showing the age of the child.

(c) If none of the aforesaid proofs of age is obtainable, and only in such case, the person issuing employment permits may accept a passport or a duly-attested immigration record, or a transcript thereof, showing the age of the child, or other official record of the child's age; provided, however, that it shall appear to the satisfaction of the person that the same is good and sufficient evidence of the child's age.

(d) If none of the above proofs of age is obtainable, and only in such case, the person issuing employment permits may accept a record of age as given on the register of the school which the child first attended in the commonwealth; provided, however, that such record was kept for at least 2 years during the time when such child attended school.

(e) If none of the above proofs of age is obtainable, and only in such case, the person issuing employment permits may accept the signed statement of the school healthcare provider or of the healthcare provider appointed by the school committee stating that after examination it is the opinion of such healthcare provider that the child is at least of the age required for the issuance of the permit. Such healthcare provider statement shall be accompanied by a statement signed by the child's parent, guardian or custodian or, if the child has no parent, guardian or custodian, by the signed statement of the next adult friend. Such signed statement shall contain

the name, date and place of birth and residence of the child and shall certify that the parent, guardian, custodian or next adult friend signing it is unable to produce any of the proofs of age specified in this section. The person issuing employment permits may, before issuing such a permit, require the parent, guardian, custodian or next adult friend of the child to appear and approve in writing the issuance of such permit.

The superintendent of schools, the school committee or any other person authorized to receive, examine, approve and file evidence of age shall not retain, against the will of such child or the child's parent or guardian, such evidence of age, for a longer time than is reasonably necessary for making a copy, photostat or reasonable facsimile thereof, which shall be filed in place of the original and the original shall be returned to such child or to the child's parent or guardian. A certificate relating to the age or place of birth of any child or to any other fact sought to be established in relation to school attendance shall be issued, upon request, by a town clerk and no fee shall be charged therefor by a town clerk or other official.

After an employer makes an offer of employment, the following shall be documented: a pledge or promise, signed by the prospective employee and by the child's parent or guardian, and by the employer or by an authorized manager or superintendent, setting forth the character of the specific employment, the number of hours per day during which the child is to be regularly employed and the name and address of the employer, in which pledge or promise the employer agrees to employ the child in accordance with this chapter which is summarized on the pledge or promise form.

After an employer has made an offer of employment and completed the pledge or promise required by this section, the employment permit shall be issued. The permit shall be accessible electronically by the child, the child's parent or guardian, the child's school, the

department of elementary and secondary education, the department and the office of the attorney general.

The superintendent of schools, the youth work permit coordinator, or a person authorized by them in writing, may revoke for cause the permit for employment of any child, except those employed in private domestic service by a member of the child's immediate family, or service as a farm laborer in the employ of the child's parent or legal guardian. Whenever a permit authorizing employment of a child elsewhere than in their place of residence is held by them, the superintendent of schools or youth work permit coordinator of the town of their employment shall forthwith notify the superintendent of schools or youth work permit coordinator issuing the permit of the child's failure to comply with any relevant provisions of law.

All documents related to this section may be provided, generated, approved and signed in an electronic format as approved by the department.

Section 88. The school record required by section 87 shall be provided by the principal or teacher in charge of the school which the child last attended and shall be furnished only to a child who, after due examination and investigation, is found to be entitled thereto. The school record shall state: (i) the grade last completed by the child; (ii) the number of days during which the child has attended school during the 12 months immediately preceding the time of application for the school record; and (iii) the name, date of birth and residence of the child as shown on the records of the school and the name of the parent, guardian or custodian. If the school record is not obtainable from the school where the child last attended, the school record requirement may be waived by the youth work permit coordinator.

No school record shall be issued or accepted and no employment permit shall be granted unless the child possesses the educational qualifications described in section 1 of chapter 76;

provided, however, that a child over 14 years of age who does not possess such qualifications may be granted a limited employment permit good only during hours when school is not in session.

No such school record shall be issued or accepted unless the child has attended the public or other lawfully-approved schools for not less than 130 days after reaching the age of 13; provided, however, that the school record may be accepted if the person has attended a public day or other lawfully-approved school for not less than 7 years if, in the opinion of the superintendent of schools, such person is mentally incapable of acquiring the educational qualifications herein prescribed. The superintendent may suspend this requirement if the interests of the child, as determined by the superintendent, will best be served by such suspension.

All documents related to this section may be provided, generated, approved and signed in an electronic format as approved by the department.

Section 89. The employment permit required under this chapter shall be in a manner prescribed by the department and shall contain the information deemed necessary by the department, in coordination with the attorney general's office. The permit shall certify that the child named in the permit has been found to possess the educational qualifications described in section 1 of chapter 76, except in the case of a limited permit, that all the papers required by section 87 have been duly examined, approved and filed and all the conditions and requirements for issuing an employment permit have been fulfilled. The permit shall state the grade last completed by the child and shall be signed by the child in whose name the permit is to be issued. The permit shall state the name of the employer and the nature of the employment in which the permit authorizes the child to be employed. A permit shall bear a number, the date of its issue and the signature of the person issuing it. No fee shall be exacted by a town clerk or other official

for an employment permit or for any paper required by sections 87 to 95, inclusive. No duplicate employment permit shall be issued until it shall appear to the satisfaction of the person authorized to issue permits that the original has been lost. A record giving all the facts contained on every employment permit issued shall be maintained together with the documents required under section 87. A record shall also be kept of the names and addresses of all children to whom permits have been refused, together with the names of the schools which the children attend and the reasons for each refusal. Each of the aforesaid records and papers shall be preserved until such children, if living, have reached the age of 18. The records and statistics concerning the issuance of employment permits as may be prescribed by the department of elementary and secondary education shall be kept and shall be open for inspection by the department, its officers and agents. The blank permits and other papers required in connection with the issuing of employment permits and educational certificates under this chapter shall be furnished to the local school committees by the department, by which they shall be prepared after conference with the department of elementary and secondary education and the approval of the forms thereof by the attorney general. The permits, certificates and documents may bear such explanatory matter as may be necessary to facilitate the enforcement of this chapter or to comply with any other requirements as prescribed by law.

All documents related to this section may be provided, generated, approved and signed in an electronic format as approved by the department.

Auto Body Labor Rate 1

SECTION 33. Chapter 175 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 113T the following section:-

Section 113T1/2. (a) The commissioner shall establish a minimum auto body labor rate for the repair of damage to insured motor vehicles covered in accordance with collision or limited collision coverage provided under section 34O of chapter 90 or comprehensive coverage provided under sections 113C and 113O.

(b) The auto body labor rate shall be: (i) based on the best available market data; (ii) reviewed and updated not less than every 5 years; and (iii) implemented in a manner that minimizes the impact on coverage premiums, including but not limited to, phasing in the labor rate over a period of not more than 3 years.

(c) The commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations necessary to implement this section.

Workforce Productivity Fund 1

SECTION 34. Section 7 of chapter 175M of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2024 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 6, the words “and for the administration of the department” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- for the administration of the department and for expenditure by the Workforce Productivity Subfund pursuant to section 12.

Workforce Productivity Fund 2

SECTION 35. Said chapter 175M is hereby further amended by adding the following section:-

Section 12. (a) For the purposes of this section, “eligible applicant” shall mean an employer employing not more than 50 employees in the commonwealth; provided, however, that “eligible applicant” shall not include an employer with a plan approved pursuant to section 11.

There shall be a Workforce Productivity Subfund within the Family and Employment Security Trust Fund which shall be expended by the director for the administration of this section.

(b) There shall be a grant program to support eligible applicants with: (i) costs associated with covering a temporary vacancy due to an employee being on an approved continuous leave; or (ii) other purposes as determined by the director. Eligible applicants may apply for a grant pursuant to this section in a form and manner prescribed by the department. Determinations related to grants issued pursuant to this section shall be at the sole discretion of the department.

(c) The director may promulgate regulations or other guidance necessary for the implementation of this section including, but not limited to, grant eligibility criteria.

DNA Exception to Statute of Limitations 2

SECTION 36. Section 63 of chapter 277 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2024 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the first paragraph the following paragraph:-

Notwithstanding the above, an indictment or complaint for an offense set forth in sections 22, 22A, 22B, 22C, 22D, 23, 23A or 23B of chapter 265 may be found and filed at any time after the date of the commission of such offense if the identity of the person who allegedly committed the offense: (i) was identified after the limitation period set forth in this section; and (ii) the identity has been established through a DNA analysis, as defined in section 1 of chapter 22E, using evidence collected at the time of the commission of the offense.

Turning 22 Commission

SECTION 37. (a) There shall be a special commission to: (i) review current practices and gaps in transitional planning services; (ii) prepare a comprehensive plan to address the complex

and growing number and needs of persons with disabilities whose entitlement to services under special education programs has terminated or will terminate as a result of such person's graduation from high school or attainment of age 22, hereafter referred to as transition-age youth; and (iii) recommend solutions to improve transition planning services and outcomes for transition-age youth and their families or guardians.

(b) The commission shall consist of: the secretary of health and human services, or a designee, who shall serve as co-chair; the secretary of education, or a designee, who shall serve as co-chair; 1 representative of the transitional advisory committee within the bureau of transitional planning; the commissioner of the state vocational rehabilitation agency within the executive office of labor and workforce development, or a designee; the commissioner of MassAbility, or a designee; the commissioner of the department of developmental services, or a designee; the commissioner of the department of mental health, or a designee; 1 member of the senate appointed by the senate president; 1 member of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; 1 member appointed by the minority leader of the senate; 1 member appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives; the chairs of the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities; 1 member representing The Arc of Massachusetts; 1 member representing the Massachusetts Down Syndrome Congress; 1 member representing the Federation for Children with Special Needs; and 3 members appointed by the governor, 1 of whom shall represent a program that serves transition-age youth, 1 of whom shall be a transition-age youth and 1 of whom shall be a caregiver or family member of a recent transition-age youth with high support needs.

(c) The plan shall include, but not be limited to, strategies and recommendations for: (i) improving and strengthening habilitative services pursuant to sections 12A through 12C,

inclusive, of chapter 71B of the General Laws for a person with disabilities whose entitlement to services under special education programs has terminated or will terminate as a result of such person's graduation from high school or attainment of age 22; (ii) improving, enhancing and modernizing transitional planning and services for persons with disabilities who: (A) are eligible for adult services through the department of developmental services, department of mental health or MassAbility pursuant to existing eligibility processes, including, but not limited to, referrals under chapter 688 of the acts of 1983 or applications by the individual or family; (B) are assessed to be prioritized for residential placement through the department of developmental services; (C) require intensive staffing for complex behavioral or complex medical needs through the department of developmental services; and (D) require services from 1 or more member agencies of the transitional advisory committee; (iii) enhancing and improving coordination, communication and data sharing across local education agencies, the department of developmental services, department of mental health, MassAbility, individuals and their families or guardians to support informed, person-centered transition planning including, but not limited to, education on adult service systems, eligibility processes and available pathways to employment and independence; (iv) improving and modernizing the referral program established through said chapter 688 of the acts of 1983 to increase transparency, advance planning and communication between all involved parties; (v) facilitating information sharing between members of the bureau of transitional planning with the goal of serving transition-age youth and their families or guardians prior to, during and after their transition to adult services; (vi) expanding competitive integrated employment opportunities for transition-age youth with disabilities, consistent with federal Employment First policies and the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act; (vii) limiting or eliminating the number of transition-age youth who do not

have a residential placement, if required by their transition plan, identified at least 6 months before their transition to adult services and ensuring that there is a clear process for transition-age youth for whom an alternative placement is not immediately available; (viii) increasing options and opportunities for transition-age youth found eligible for residential supports to maintain meaningful connections with their families or guardians, including through innovative housing models, cross-agency collaboration and improved use of existing resources, while accounting for and considering workforce capacity, clinical needs and housing availability; (ix) addressing any unique transition challenges for transition-age youth who are leaving the care of the department of children and families; (x) promoting, when possible, geographic equity in services provided across the commonwealth including, but not limited to, habilitative services, residential living opportunities, employment and day program supports and family supports; (xi) establishment of regular review processes within the bureau of transitional planning regarding the efficacy and results of any transition-age services provided by those same member organizations; (xii) modernizing and updating existing reporting and transition planning data collection processes and requirements by local education agencies and the department of elementary and secondary education pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; and (xiii) identifying evidence-based transition practices that improve postsecondary employment and education outcomes for students with disabilities, including early engagement with vocational rehabilitation services, participation in pre-employment transition services, work-based learning experiences and career and technical education opportunities.

(d) In making its recommendations, the commission shall consider practices related to communication, education and awareness efforts including, but not limited to: (i) the frequency of transparent agency communication between relevant agencies and transition-age youth and the

families and guardians of transition-age youth; (ii) the amount of notification time given for transition plans to be developed and finalized; and (iii) raising awareness of programs, examining outreach practices and the efficacy of services available prior to, during and after the transition process to adult services.

(e) The report shall include recommendations for: (i) modernizing and strengthening habilitative services and transitional planning services for persons with disabilities pursuant to sections 12A through 12C, inclusive, of chapter 71B; and (ii) interagency data sharing and transition outcome tracking across education, vocational rehabilitation and adult service systems, including metrics related to employment, postsecondary enrollment and independent living outcomes for persons with disabilities.

(f) The commission shall submit its report and recommendations, together with drafts of legislation, if any, to the executive office of labor and workforce development, the executive office of education, the executive office of health and human services, the clerks of the senate and house of representatives, the senate and house committees on ways and means, the joint committee on education and the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities not later than September 30, 2027.

Foundation Budget Review Commission 2

SECTION 38. (a) The foundation budget review commission shall file its first report following the effective date of this act pursuant to section 4 of chapter 70 of the General Laws not later than October 31, 2028; provided, however, that prior to filing such report, the commission shall review recommendations and utilize data from the local contribution study completed by the department of elementary and secondary education pursuant to item 7010-0005 of section 2 of chapter 9 of the acts of 2025. The commission shall identify commonwealth

resources to support any recommendations that would result in increased costs to the commonwealth. The review may include other school finance programs not included in the foundation budget including, but not limited to: (i) aid to rural schools; (ii) charter school costs; and (iii) out-of-district special education costs. The report shall be submitted to the clerks of the senate and house of representatives, the joint committee on education and the senate and house committees on ways and means and shall be made publicly available on the website of the department of elementary and secondary education.

Massachusetts School Building Authority Commission

SECTION 39. (a) For the purposes of this section, "authority" shall mean the Massachusetts School Building Authority established in section 1A of chapter 70B of the General Laws.

(b) There shall be a special commission to study and make recommendations regarding: (i) the capacity of the authority to meet the needs of current and future school facility projects; and (ii) the racial, ethnic, socioeconomic and geographic equity of the grant funding formula to ensure that all communities may participate in the maintenance assessment program established in section 16 of chapter 70B of the General Laws.

(c) The commission shall consist of: the senate and house chairs of the joint committee on education, who shall serve as co-chairs; 1 member to be appointed by the senate president; 1 member to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; 1 member to be appointed by the minority leader of the senate; 1 member to be appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives; the secretary of education, or a designee; the commissioner of elementary and secondary education, or a designee; the executive director of the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or a designee; 2 members to be appointed by the governor, 1 of

whom shall be a representative of a gateway city with knowledge of municipal finance and 1 of whom shall be an individual with demonstrated expertise in the design and construction of cost-effective school buildings; 2 members to be appointed by the state treasurer, 1 of whom shall be an individual with demonstrated expertise in the design and construction of green buildings and 1 of whom shall be an individual with demonstrated expertise in public health and indoor environmental quality in school buildings; 1 member from the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents, Inc.; 1 member from the Massachusetts Association of School Committees, Inc.; 1 member from the Massachusetts Association of Vocational Administrators, Inc.; 1 member from the Massachusetts chapter of the American Institute of Architects; 1 member from the Massachusetts Facilities Administrators Association, Inc.; 1 member from the Massachusetts Teachers Association; 1 member from the American Federation of Teachers, Massachusetts; 1 member from the Massachusetts Taxpayers Foundation, Inc.; 1 member from the Massachusetts Municipal Association, Inc.; and 1 member from the Massachusetts Building Trades Council.

(d) The commission shall investigate and make recommendations on: (i) the current and future need to renovate and rebuild school facilities, availability of adequate state and local resources and the extent to which current state funding for the authority may need to be adjusted to meet this need; (ii) the authority's existing grant formula and potential modifications to the formula to ensure fairness and equity for all communities; (iii) the alignment of the authority's construction cost reimbursement rate relative to the actual cost of construction and other authority policies that impact eligible project costs for reimbursement; (iv) incentive percentage points including, but not limited to, how incentive percentage points are calculated for municipalities that qualify for 80 per cent reimbursement; (v) reimbursement policies for

regional technical and vocational schools and ways to ensure affordability for all member communities; (vi) reimbursement policies to assist the commonwealth in achieving its environmental and greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals; (vii) reimbursement policies that support healthy school facilities for students and staff; (viii) if the authority should be authorized to spend money on equipment or be limited to funding education structures; (ix) if the authority should add incentives for educational spaces approved under chapter 74 of the General Laws in programs that align to labor market demand; (x) strategies for addressing facilities' needs of educational collaboratives; and (xi) any other issues affecting the ability of all students to attend school in high quality, accessible, safe, healthy and green school buildings.

(e) The authority and other state agencies shall make available to the commission any documents, data or materials in a timely manner when requested by the commission. The authority shall provide staff to assist the commission in completing its obligations under this section.

(f) The commission shall submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the clerks of the senate and house of representatives, the joint committee on education and the senate and house committees on ways and means not later than June 1, 2027.

Sheriff Funding Reporting

SECTION 40. (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for fiscal years 2027 through 2031, inclusive, the executive office for administration and finance shall impose hiring and spending controls to restrict the number of employees for each sheriff's office and prevent spending in excess of appropriation. Such controls shall include, but not be limited to, restrictions limiting the total number of employees at each office and procedures for any large

capital expenditures; provided, however, that the executive office for administration and finance may permit waivers from hiring controls for demonstrated public safety needs.

(b) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for fiscal year 2027 and consistent with current law, including, but not limited to, sections 26 and 27 of chapter 29 of the General Laws, no sheriff's office shall spend into deficiency; provided, however, that if a sheriff's office requires supplemental funding, said sheriff's office shall submit sufficient documentation of the need to spend into deficiency to the executive office for administration and finance and the comptroller's office prior to any supplemental budget being filed by the governor to address such need.

(c) If the secretary of administration and finance determines that a sheriff's office has concluded fiscal year 2027 in deficiency without providing sufficient documentation of the deficiency, or has not complied with the controls imposed pursuant to subsection (a), the secretary shall place such sheriff's office under the oversight of the sheriff fiscal oversight council established in subsection (d).

(d)(1) There shall be within the executive office of public safety and security a sheriff fiscal oversight council. The council shall oversee the finances of any sheriff's office made subject to its oversight under this section.

(2) The council shall consist of the secretary of public safety and security, who shall serve as co-chair; the secretary of administration and finance, who shall serve as co-chair; and 3 members to be appointed by the governor, 2 of whom shall have experience in the operation of correctional facilities and 1 of whom shall have experience in state government finance. The oversight council shall meet and hire staff as it deems necessary to ensure proper oversight of sheriff operations and finances.

(3) The council, in carrying out this section, shall have access to all records, documents, accounts, correspondence and any other data and material that is maintained by the sheriffs' offices or other state agencies that the council deems necessary. Upon being subject to oversight of the council and not less than monthly thereafter, each sheriff subject to the council's governance shall provide the council with information on the status of the revenues and expenses for their office's operating budget and on the status of revenues, contracting, procurement and authorized and actual spending for any capital projects. Such reports shall provide itemized year-to-date expenditures and detailed projections for anticipated expenses for the remainder of the fiscal year and be in a form prescribed by the council. The council shall submit such monthly reports to the secretary of public safety and security, the secretary of administration and finance, the inspector general, the clerks of the senate and house of representatives, the chairs of the senate and house committees on ways and means and the chairs of the joint committee on public safety and homeland security.

(4) The council may set financial management metrics to ensure the fiscal and operational integrity of sheriff operations. The council may formulate and recommend a plan for a sheriff's office to stabilize and strengthen its finances, management, operations and asset conditions with a focus on maintaining activities specifically required by statute, case law or court order while limiting cost growth year over year and ensuring total annual expenditures do not exceed annual state appropriations.

(5) If a sheriff's office fails to meet any financial management metrics or the requirements of a recommended plan prescribed under clause (4), or if the sheriff's office's failure to comply with subsection (b) demonstrates an inability to appropriately manage the fiscal and operational integrity of the office, as determined by the council, the council shall take action

to ensure the fiscal and operational integrity of such sheriff's office, which may include, but shall not be limited to: (i) appointing a receiver to take operational and managerial control of the applicable sheriff's office; provided, however, that such receiver shall have experience in the operation of correctional facilities; (ii) directing the comptroller not to certify any amounts for payment from a sheriff's office; and (iii) prohibiting a sheriff's office from incurring any new expenditures or obligations without prior approval of the council for a period of time to be determined by the council.

Transfers Between Health Funds Clarification

SECTION 41. Notwithstanding section 189 of chapter 149 of the General Laws, the comptroller, at the direction of the secretary of administration and finance, may transfer up to $15,000,000 of employer medical assistance contributions 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; provided, however, that this transfer may be in addition to any other transfers from said Commonwealth Care Trust Fund to said Health Safety Net Trust Fund required in fiscal year 2026.

MassHealth and Health Safety Net Dental Services

SECTION 42. (a) Notwithstanding section 53 of chapter 118E of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, beginning in fiscal year 2027, the executive office of health and human services may determine the extent to which to include within its covered services for adults the federally-optional dental services that were included in its state plan or demonstration program in effect on January 1, 2002 and the dental services that were covered for adults in the MassHealth basic program as of January 1, 2002.

(b) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, beginning in fiscal year 2027, the executive office of health and human services may impose coverage caps, changes, exclusions or limitations on its coverage of dental services for adults on a per patient basis or in aggregate; provided, however, that no coverage cap, change, exclusion or limitation shall result in any cap of less than $1,750 on covered services for adults.

(c) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, beginning in fiscal year 2027, the health safety net office established in section 65 of chapter 118E of the General Laws may impose caps, changes, exclusions or limitations on its total payments for dental services for adults on a per patient basis or in aggregate; provided, however, that no coverage cap, change, exclusion or limitation shall result in any cap of less than $1,750 on covered services for adults.

Health Safety Net Trust Fund Transfer to Department of Public Health for HIV Drug Assistance Program 1

SECTION 43. For the purposes of this section, "HDAP" shall mean the HIV Drug Assistance Program, established under the department of public health and funded in line item 4512-0106 of section 2 of chapter 9 of the acts of 2025.

Notwithstanding section 66 of chapter 118E of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, in Health Safety Net fiscal year 2026, the comptroller, at the direction of the secretary of administration and finance, and in consultation with the secretary of health and human services, may transfer to the department of public health or expend an amount not more than the amount required from the Health Safety Net Trust Fund, established in section 66 of chapter 118E of the General Laws, for services rendered to Health Safety Net patients participating in HDAP and any reasonable administrative costs associated with paying for services to such patients.

Health Safety Net Trust Fund Transfer to Department of Public Health for HIV Drug Assistance Program 2

SECTION 44. For the purposes of this section, "HDAP" shall mean the HIV Drug Assistance Program, established under the department of public health and funded in line item 4512-0106 of section 2 of this act.

Notwithstanding section 66 of chapter 118E of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, in Health Safety Net fiscal year 2027, the comptroller, at the direction of the secretary of administration and finance, and in consultation with the secretary of health and human services, may transfer to the department of public health or expend an amount not more than the amount required from the Health Safety Net Trust Fund, established in section 66 of chapter 118E of the General Laws, for services rendered to Health Safety Net patients participating in HDAP and any reasonable administrative costs associated with paying for services to such patients.

Notwithstanding any other general or special law to the contrary, the department of public health shall use all funds transferred or expended from said Health Safety Net Trust Fund in Health Safety Net fiscal year 2027 exclusively for services rendered to Health Safety Net patients participating in HDAP and any reasonable administrative costs associated with paying for services to such patients.

Notwithstanding any other general or special law to the contrary, the department of public health shall use any funds transferred or expended for HDAP from said Health Safety Net Trust Fund in Health Safety Net fiscal year 2026 exclusively for services rendered to Health Safety Net patients participating in HDAP and any reasonable administrative costs associated with paying for services to such patients.

Transfers Between Health Funds

SECTION 45. Notwithstanding section 189 of chapter 149 of the General Laws, the comptroller, at the direction of the secretary of administration and finance, may transfer up to $15,000,000 of employer medical assistance contributions 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; provided, however, that this transfer may be in addition to any other transfers from said Commonwealth Care Trust Fund to said Health Safety Net Trust Fund required in fiscal year 2027.

Expanded Medicare Saving Program Transfer

SECTION 46. 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 a total of $25,000,000 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 2027 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 in writing to the senate and house committees on ways and means, not less than 45 days in advance of the transfer, the amount to be transferred and an explanation of the amount of expected savings to those programs resulting from the transfer.

Health Safety Net Administration

SECTION 47. 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 Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 1315, or as an adjustment to service rate

payments under Title XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act, or a combination thereof. 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.

Initial Gross Payments to Qualifying Acute Care Hospitals

SECTION 48. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, not later than October 1, 2026 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, 2026. 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. The comptroller shall transfer from the Health Safety Net Trust Fund to the General Fund, not later than June 30, 2027, 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.

Inspector General's Health Care Audits

SECTION 49. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, in hospital fiscal year 2027, the office of inspector general may expend a total of $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

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 study and review the Medicaid program under 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 senate and house committees on ways and means on the results of the audits and any other completed analyses not later than March 1, 2027.

Nursing Facility Base Year

SECTION 50. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, nursing facility rates for the period beginning on October 1, 2026 under section 13D of chapter 118E of the General Laws may be developed using the costs of calendar year 2023.

Fiscal Year 2027 Regional Transit Authority Funding Formula

SECTION 51. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for fiscal year 2027, $123,450,000 shall be considered operating assistance and distributed to regional transit authorities from item 1595-6370 of section 2E. For fiscal year 2027, $94,000,000 of the amount transferred in item 1595-6370 of said section 2E shall be distributed based on fiscal year 2026 distributions in accordance with the updated fiscal year 2026 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 2026.

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation 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.

Gaming Fund Splits

SECTION 52. 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 2027 shall be transferred as follows:

(i) 35 per cent to the Gaming Local Aid Fund established in section 63 of said chapter 23K;

(ii) 20 per cent to the Commonwealth Transportation Fund established in section 2ZZZ of chapter 29 of the General Laws;

(iii) 20 per cent to the Education Fund established in section 64 of said chapter 23K;

(iv) 13 per cent to the Gaming Economic Development Fund established in section 2DDDD of said chapter 29;

(v) 5 per cent to the Public Health Trust Fund established in section 58 of said chapter 23K;

(vi) 3 per cent to the Community Mitigation Fund established in section 61 of said chapter 23K;

(vii) 2 per cent to the Massachusetts Cultural and Performing Arts Mitigation Trust Fund established in section 2HHHHH of said chapter 29; and

(viii) 2 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.

Excess Capital Gains Distribution

SECTION 53. (a) Notwithstanding section 5G of chapter 29 of the General Laws, the excess capital gains threshold for fiscal year 2027 shall be $2,250,000,000.

(b) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for fiscal year 2027, the comptroller shall transfer capital gains collected in excess of the threshold under section 5G of chapter 29 of the General Laws on a quarterly basis as follows: (i) 58.6 per cent to the State Retiree Benefits Trust Fund established in section 24 of chapter 32A of the General Laws; (ii) 20 per cent to the Commonwealth Stabilization Fund established in section 2H of chapter 29 of the General Laws; (iii) 13.6 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; and (iv) 7.8 per cent to the Disaster Relief and Resiliency Fund established in section 2HHHHHH of said chapter 29.

Pension Cost of Living Adjustment

SECTION 54. 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 the 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 senate and house 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.

Interest Earnings

SECTION 55. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for fiscal year 2027, the secretary of administration and finance shall direct the comptroller to take any measures necessary to retain within the General Fund interest earnings that would otherwise be deposited into or otherwise attributed to a fund, trust fund or other separate account, whether established administratively or by law, including a separate account established under section 6

of chapter 6A of the General Laws. The secretary and comptroller shall report to the senate and house committees on ways and means 45 days before any action under this section. The report shall certify that the secretary, in consultation with the comptroller, has determined that the balance, or a specified part of the balance, is not necessary for the purposes for which it was made available.

Abandoned Property Transfers

SECTION 56. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for fiscal year 2027, all abandoned property net revenue as defined in section 5H of chapter 29 of the General Laws shall remain in the General Fund.

Workforce Productivity Fund 3

SECTION 57. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, not later than December 31, 2026, the comptroller shall transfer $1,000,000 from the Family and Employment Security Trust Fund to the Workforce Productivity Subfund established in section 12 of chapter 175M of the General Laws.

Massachusetts Clean Energy Center Transfer

SECTION 58. Notwithstanding any special or general law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2027, the comptroller shall transfer $10,000,000 from the RGGI Auction Trust Fund established in section 35II of chapter 10 of the General Laws to the Climatetech Investment Fund established in section 15 of chapter 23J of the General Laws.

Youth Employment Permitting Effective Date

SECTION 59. Section 32 shall take effect 3 months after the effective date of this act.

Auto Body Labor Rate 2

SECTION 60. The division of insurance shall promulgate regulations to implement section 113T1/2 of chapter 175 of the General Laws not later than January 1, 2027.

Effective Date

SECTION 61. Except as otherwise provided, this act shall take effect on July 1, 2026.